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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING FIRST WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY, EXCEPT FOR  
DECEMBER, AT 7:30 P.M., DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1989

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The recently concluded 1988 Denver Christmas Bird Count represented the 35th straight year that the Denver Field Ornithologists (nee the Colorado Bird Club) have conducted a Christmas Count within the same specific area - a fifteen mile diameter circle established in 1954 and centered just north of the entrance to the old Ken-Caryl Ranch. Thirty-five years ago the Count was made on December 26, 1954. The results: 80 species reported and 11,586 individual birds tallied by the 33 observers who participated. One of those intrepid 33 observers who participated way back in 1954 also took part in this year's Count - redoubtable RUTH WHEELER! Congratulations Ruth and this issue of the Lark Bunting is dedicated to you!

Notable among the 80 species spotted in 1954 were one Peregrine Falcon (not reported since on any Count) and one Glaucous Gull. In addition, the total of 3000 "American" Mergansers observed on this Count has never been equalled or surpassed in the ensuing 34 years.

Long before the establishment of the present "Count Circle" in 1954, Christmas Bird Counts were being conducted under the name of "Jefferson County, Colorado". We thought it might be fun to publish the results of one of those early Counts, one that took place 50 years ago on December 22, 1938. So, with a tip of the hat to Alan Hay, who provided the details, here is the way the "Jefferson County, Colorado" Christmas Bird Count turned out a mere 50 years ago (do any of the names of the four observers ring a bell?):

JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLO. (Marston Lake, south along Platte River and Plum Creek about 4 miles, thence by automobile up Deer Creek to divide and down Turkey Creek to Red Rocks, with stops at several points).--Dec. 22; 7:15 A.M. to 5 P.M. Clear most of the day; 4-in. snow on lower levels, more in the foothills; temp. about 32° most of the day. About 5 miles on foot, 25 by automobile, all within 15-mile diameter. Observers in pairs most of the day. Great Blue Heron, 1; Whistling Swan, 1; Common Mallard, more than 2250; Baldpate, 25; Pintail, 22; Green-winged Teal, 30; Wood Duck, 2; Red-head, 1; American Golden-eye, 3; American Merganser, 200; Cooper's Hawk, 1; American Rough-legged Hawk, 1; Golden Eagle, 1; Marsh Hawk, 15; Ring-necked Pheasant, 30; Coot, 2; Killdeer, 5; Wilson's Snipe, 2; Ring-billed Gull, 30; Rock Dove, 25; Mourning Dove, 2; Screech Owl, 1; Kingfisher, 3; Red-shafted Flicker, 25; Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Downy Woodpecker, 5; Horned Lark, 40; Long-crested Jay, 4; American Magpie, 150; Long-tailed Chickadee, 15; Mountain Chickadee, 4; Rocky Mountain Nuthatch, 3; Rocky Mountain Creeper, 1; Canyon Wren, 1; Townsend's Solitaire, 4; English Sparrow, 25; Western Meadowlark, 75; Red-winged Blackbird, more than 11,000; Purple Finch, 12; House Finch, 40; White-winged Junco, 20; Slate-colored Junco, 6; Shufeldt's Junco, 50; Montana Junco, 6; Pink-sided Junco, 50; Gray-headed Junco, 5; Tree Sparrow, 500 (est.); White-crowned Sparrow, 10; Gambel's Sparrow, 10; Song Sparrow, 40; Alaska Longspur, 2; Total, 51 species, 14,777 individuals. The Whistling Swan and Wood Ducks were individuals that had been living with a group of other water-fowl being fed near Marston Lake; they were at liberty to fly and were part of a group, including Mallards and Baldpates, that were passing the winter at this point. The Rock Doves were living wild among the Red Rocks.--A. M. BAILEY, ROBERT J. NIEDRACH, JACK WELSH, E. R. KALMBACH.

Did you have any trouble with the names of some of the birds? Lots of changes in nomenclature over the years and rest assured, we're not through yet! In passing, I found it fascinating that so many species of Juncos were identified in the field - one has to wonder what field guide the four observers were using. Also, did you notice the 12 Purple Finches and no Cassin's Finches? Hmm!

Now for the results of this year's Christmas Bird Count which was held on December 17, 1988.--6:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.--MST. Morning: Clear. Afternoon: Clear. Temperature: 15°-50°F. Wind: Southwest to west, 0-15 MPH. Snow Cover: 0" to 24". Fresh Water: Partly open on the plains, frozen in the foothills and mountains. Wild Food Crop: Fair to good, with cone crop very poor. Observers: One hundred and thirty-eight (83 in 27 parties with 55 at feeders). Total Party Hours: 230.75 (172.25 on foot, 58.50 by car). Total Party Miles: 655.40 (124.40 on foot, 531.0 by car). Hours spent watching feeders: 133. Totals: 97 species, about 27,388 individuals.

This year's Count was more auspicious for what we didn't find rather than what we did find! Once again we failed to attain the 100-species level, the fourth time in the last six years. Species normally expected (seen on approximately 50% or better of the 34 previous Counts) but missed this year: Northern Goshawk (seen on 56% of previous Counts), Merlin (56%), Mourning Dove (65%), Long-eared Owl (62%), Bushtit (41%), Winter Wren (47%), Fox Sparrow (50%), Brewer's Blackbird (88%!), Red Crossbill (56%).



In addition, extremely low numbers of several montane species were noted as follows:

Mountain Chickadee-246 (second lowest number since 1969)  
Red-breasted Nuthatch-6 (lowest since 1968)  
Pygmy Nuthatch-112 (lowest since 1966!)  
Cassin's Finch-19 (lowest since 1980)  
Pine Siskin-33 (lowest since 1972)  
Evening Grosbeak-57 (lowest since 1969 when we didn't record any)  
and as noted, zero Red Crossbills!

On the bright side, we turned up one new species not previously recorded on a Denver Christmas Bird Count. Thanks to the sharp eyes of Diana Mullineaux, a single Gray Catbird was found along the South Platte River in Count Area #7A. This good find brings our total species recorded over the past 35 years to 167.

Other interesting finds were:

Greater White-fronted Goose (1) found along the South Platte River in Area #4B, Dick Schottler, leader. This species has been recorded eight times, the last time being in 1976.

Wild Turkey (8) observed by Randy Lentz in Area #11 feeding on corn in a yard of a ranch owner. This species has been observed but five times over the past 35 years.

Clark's Nutcracker (1) found by Jan Justice along the South Platte River near Chatfield Reservoir in Area # 7B. Normally a montane species, this is certainly an unusual place to find one although they occasionally spill out on the plains during some winters. The last time we had a Clark's Nutcracker on the Count was in 1979 when four were seen.

Brown Thrasher (1) reported in Area #4B along the South Platte River, Dick Schottler, leader. This species has been recorded on nine previous Counts.

Yellow-rumped Warbler ("Audubon's" race)-(2) found in two Areas: one in Area #4A along the South Platte River, Ruth Wheeler, leader; and one in Area #7B which is also along the South Platte River, Hugh Kingery, leader. The "Audubon's" race of the Yellow-rumped Warbler has been recorded on only four previous Counts. The "Myrtle" race has been reported only twice.

The 27,388 individuals was the fifth highest total since 1954. New maximum individual numbers were achieved for four species this year and one highest total was tied as follows: Common Goldeneye (265), Red-tailed Hawk (64) with no "Harlan's" race included, Northern Flicker - "Red-shafted" race (352), Water Pipit (11) and Ferruginous Hawk (10) which tied the previous high in 1985.

The ten most numerous species, as usual, were: Canada Goose (7112) a drop of over 4000 from last year!, European Starling (3967), Mallard (2715), Dark-eyed Junco (1575), House Sparrow (1421), House Finch (1345), Black-billed Magpie (1215), Rock Dove (1168), Red-winged Blackbird (564), American Tree Sparrow (510). Last year we recorded 5871 Bohemian Waxwings. This year we found none of these irregular winter visitors.

Congratulations to Dick Schottler and his team in Area #4B for finding the most species this year (52). One other group reached the 50-species level, Area #8 at Chatfield Reservoir. Area #4B also walked off with highest total of individuals found (3785) closely followed by Area #2, Lower Bear Creek (3668) and Area #4A, Lower South Platte (3589).

And finally, a note of special thanks to all of those who volunteered to be Area Count Leaders for this year's Count and to all of the observers who participated.

DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS - 1954 THROUGH 1988

(Jack Reddall, compiler)

| YEAR | NUMBER<br>OF<br>SPECIES | NUMBER OF<br>INDIVIDUALS | NEW<br>SPECIES<br>ADDED* | PARTY<br>HOURS | NUMBER<br>OF<br>PARTIES | NUMBER OF<br>OBSERVERS | FEEDER<br>WATCHERS |
|------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1954 | 80                      | 11586                    | 76                       | 100            | 12                      | 33                     | #                  |
| 1955 | 83                      | 10263                    | 18                       | 72             | 8                       | 22                     | #                  |
| 1956 | 86                      | 5732                     | 6                        | 66             | 8                       | 17                     | #                  |
| 1957 | 84                      | 9409                     | 6                        | 88             | 9                       | 22                     | #                  |
| 1958 | 79                      | 8341                     | 3                        | 53             | 6                       | 16                     | #                  |
| 1959 | 73                      | 5806                     | 3                        | 56             | 8                       | 21                     | #                  |
| 1960 | 74                      | 5437                     | 2                        | 78             | 9                       | 27                     | #                  |
| 1961 | 78                      | 4027                     | 6                        | 67             | 8                       | 23                     | #                  |
| 1962 | 80                      | 8277                     | 3                        | 69             | 9                       | 27                     | #                  |
| 1963 | 79                      | 6278                     | 0                        | 57             | 7                       | 21                     | #                  |
| 1964 | 79                      | 8154                     | 1                        | 59             | 8                       | 32                     | #                  |
| 1965 | 90                      | 10984                    | 0                        | 69             | 8                       | 41                     | #                  |
| 1966 | 86                      | 8164                     | 1                        | 48             | 6                       | 26                     | #                  |
| 1967 | 92                      | 13022                    | 2                        | 60             | 6                       | 32                     | 6                  |
| 1968 | 93                      | 13550                    | 3                        | 130            | 13                      | 56                     | 12                 |
| 1969 | 92                      | 12658                    | 1                        | 180            | 17                      | 65                     | 15                 |
| 1970 | 100                     | 14518                    | 3                        | 179            | 17                      | 67                     | 22                 |
| 1971 | 104                     | 16162                    | 3                        | 189            | 20                      | 72                     | 19                 |
| 1972 | 95                      | 17073                    | 2                        | 164            | 22                      | 63                     | 20                 |
| 1973 | 107                     | 23808                    | 4                        | 331            | 30                      | 95                     | 26                 |
| 1974 | 107                     | 20573                    | 5                        | 216            | 31                      | 94                     | 29                 |
| 1975 | 106                     | 20693                    | 3                        | 276            | 34                      | 104                    | 20                 |
| 1976 | 106                     | 24747                    | 1                        | 298            | 41                      | 118                    | 31                 |
| 1977 | 113                     | 29543                    | 3                        | 285            | 37                      | 100                    | 34                 |
| 1978 | 102                     | 16937                    | 2                        | 276            | 36                      | 110                    | 39                 |
| 1979 | 98                      | 26795                    | 1                        | 267            | 31                      | 116                    | 33                 |
| 1980 | 101                     | 21811                    | 0                        | 208            | 26                      | 79                     | 45                 |
| 1981 | 110                     | 33304                    | 2                        | 243            | 33                      | 114                    | 40                 |
| 1982 | 103                     | 27607                    | 2                        | 225            | 31                      | 97                     | 38                 |
| 1983 | 93                      | 26330                    | 1                        | 207            | 29                      | 109                    | 41                 |
| 1984 | 99                      | 30972                    | 1                        | 230            | 29                      | 95                     | 45                 |
| 1985 | 93                      | 18993                    | 2                        | 220            | 27                      | 83                     | 41                 |
| 1986 | 102                     | 22467                    | 0                        | 232            | 29                      | 94                     | 35                 |
| 1987 | 100                     | 39486                    | 0                        | 246            | 31                      | 92                     | 46                 |
| 1988 | 97                      | 27388                    | 1                        | 231            | 27                      | 83                     | 55                 |

\*-Based on A.O.U. CHECK-LIST (1983) and Supplements (1985, 1987)

#-Feeder Watchers did not officially participate until 1967.

DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS  
SUMMARY OF SPECIES ACCOUNTS (1954-1988)  
(Jack Reddall, compiler)

| SPECIES                        | YEAR<br>ADDED<br>TO<br>COUNT | NUMBER<br>OF YEARS<br>RECORDED |     | HIGHEST NUMBER OF<br>INDIVIDUALS COUNTED |                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                |                              | #                              | %   | NUMBER                                   | YEAR(S)            |
| 1. Red-throated Loon           | 1956                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '56, '73, '77, '82 |
| 2. Pacific Loon                | 1981                         | 2                              | 6   | 3                                        | '81                |
| 3. Common Loon                 | 1970                         | 6                              | 17  | 5                                        | '80                |
| 4. Yellow-billed Loon          | 1981                         | 3                              | 9   | 2                                        | '82                |
| 5. Pied-billed Grebe           | 1954                         | 24                             | 69  | 92                                       | '81                |
| 6. Horned Grebe                | 1956                         | 7                              | 20  | 4                                        | '65                |
| 7. Eared Grebe                 | 1974                         | 4                              | 11  | 6                                        | '81                |
| 8. Western Grebe               | 1958                         | 13                             | 37  | 7                                        | '82                |
| 9. Double-crested Cormorant    | 1976                         | 9                              | 26  | 4                                        | '81                |
| 10. Great Blue Heron           | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 61                                       | '77, '81           |
| 11. Black-crowned Night-Heron  | 1985                         | 1                              | 3   | 2                                        | '85                |
| 12. Tundra Swan                | 1954                         | 7                              | 20  | 9                                        | '57                |
| Mute Swan                      | ø1967                        | 8                              | --- | 8                                        | '68                |
| 13. Gtr. White-fronted Goose   | 1964                         | 8                              | 23  | 11                                       | '73                |
| 14. Snow Goose ("White" morph) | 1958                         | 11                             | 31  | 8                                        | '81, '87           |
| 15. Ross' Goose                | 1977                         | 2                              | 6   | 6                                        | '82                |
| 16. Canada Goose               | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 11665                                    | '87                |
| 17. Wood Duck                  | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 58                                       | '85                |
| 18. Green-winged Teal          | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 204                                      | '87                |
| 19. American Black Duck        | 1968                         | 2                              | 6   | 1                                        | '68, '69           |
| 20. Mallard                    | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 2928                                     | '67                |
| 21. Northern Pintail           | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 180                                      | '74                |
| 22. Blue-winged Teal           | 1974                         | 2                              | 6   | 2                                        | '77                |
| 23. Northern Shoveler          | 1954                         | 31                             | 89  | 70                                       | '77                |
| 24. Gadwall                    | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 206                                      | '57                |
| 25. American Wigeon            | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 603                                      | '81                |
| 26. Canvasback                 | 1954                         | 25                             | 71  | 53                                       | '66                |
| 27. Redhead                    | 1954                         | 33                             | 94  | 199                                      | '57                |
| 28. Ring-necked Duck           | 1954                         | 33                             | 94  | 260                                      | '87                |
| 29. Greater Scaup              | 1967                         | 8                              | 23  | 6                                        | '68, '77           |
| 30. Lesser Scaup               | 1954                         | 31                             | 89  | 166                                      | '84                |
| 31. Oldsquaw                   | 1970                         | 4                              | 11  | 5                                        | '80                |
| 32. Surf Scoter                | 1962                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '62                |
| 33. White-winged Scoter        | 1973                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '73                |
| 34. Common Goldeneye           | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 265                                      | '88                |
| 35. Barrow's Goldeneye         | 1973                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '73, '84, '85, '86 |
| 36. Bufflehead                 | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 83                                       | '86                |
| 37. Hooded Merganser           | 1955                         | 31                             | 89  | 35                                       | '86                |
| 38. Common Merganser           | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 3000                                     | '54                |
| 39. Red-breasted Merganser     | 1954                         | 14                             | 40  | 9                                        | '82                |
| 40. Ruddy Duck                 | 1954                         | 23                             | 66  | 20                                       | '62                |
| 41. Bald Eagle                 | 1955                         | 16                             | 46  | 5                                        | '83, '85           |
| 42. Northern Harrier           | 1955                         | 33                             | 94  | 32                                       | '80                |
| 43. Sharp-shinned Hawk         | 1955                         | 27                             | 77  | 11                                       | '87                |
| 44. Cooper's Hawk              | 1956                         | 27                             | 77  | 5                                        | '85                |
| 45. Northern Goshawk           | 1955                         | 19                             | 54  | 4                                        | '73, '82, '85      |

ø-Not considered feral in Colorado



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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                     |                              | #                              | %   | NUMBER                                   | YEAR(S)                      |
| 46. Red-tailed Hawk                 | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 64                                       | '88                          |
| "Western" race                      | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 64                                       | '88                          |
| "Harlan's" race                     | 1954                         | 22                             | 63  | 12                                       | '81                          |
| 47. Ferruginous Hawk                | 1961                         | 18                             | 51  | 10                                       | '85, '88                     |
| 48. Rough-legged Hawk               | 1955                         | 34                             | 97  | 24                                       | '85                          |
| 49. Golden Eagle                    | 1954                         | 32                             | 91  | 13                                       | '74, '79                     |
| 50. American Kestrel                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 64                                       | '81                          |
| 51. Merlin                          | 1956                         | 19                             | 54  | 5                                        | '81                          |
| 52. Peregrine Falcon                | 1954                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '54                          |
| 53. Prairie Falcon                  | 1954                         | 34                             | 97  | 9                                        | '84                          |
| 54. Ring-necked Pheasant            | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 72                                       | '60                          |
| 55. Blue Grouse                     | 1958                         | 16                             | 46  | 13                                       | '80                          |
| 56. Wild Turkey                     | 1978                         | 5                              | 14  | 19                                       | '87                          |
| 57. Virginia Rail                   | 1974                         | 13                             | 37  | 19                                       | '74                          |
| 58. Sora                            | 1974                         | 1                              | 3   | 4                                        | '74                          |
| 59. American Coot                   | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 636                                      | '81                          |
| 60. Killdeer                        | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 61                                       | '81                          |
| 61. Common Snipe                    | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 45                                       | '75                          |
| 62. Ring-billed Gull                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 4198                                     | '86                          |
| 63. California Gull                 | 1973                         | 10                             | 29  | 15                                       | '82                          |
| 64. Herring Gull                    | 1954                         | 33                             | 94  | 421                                      | '86                          |
| 65. Thayer's Gull                   | *1975                        | 6                              | 38  | 5                                        | '86                          |
| 66. Glaucous Gull                   | 1954                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '54, '65, '71, '73           |
| 67. Rock Dove                       | *1973                        | 16                             | 100 | 1422                                     | '77                          |
| 68. Mourning Dove                   | 1955                         | 22                             | 63  | 100                                      | '57                          |
| 69. Common Barn-Owl                 | 1975                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '75                          |
| 70. Eastern Screech-Owl             | +1982                        | 6                              | 88  | 1                                        | '82, '83, '85, '86, '87, '88 |
| Screech-Owl species                 | 1955                         | 26                             | 74  | 5                                        | '77                          |
| 71. Great Horned Owl                | 1954                         | 34                             | 97  | 41                                       | '81                          |
| 72. Northern Pygmy-Owl              | 1959                         | 14                             | 40  | 4                                        | '76                          |
| 73. Long-eared Owl                  | 1955                         | 21                             | 60  | 9                                        | '76                          |
| 74. Short-eared Owl                 | 1955                         | 7                              | 20  | 4                                        | '55                          |
| 75. Belted Kingfisher               | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 83                                       | '81                          |
| 76. Lewis' Woodpecker               | 1955                         | 4                              | 11  | 2                                        | '70, '76                     |
| 77. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker sp.    | 1970                         | 3                              | 9   | 3                                        | '80                          |
| 78. Downy Woodpecker                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 85                                       | '81                          |
| 79. Hairy Woodpecker                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 53                                       | '72, '81                     |
| 80. Three-toed Woodpecker           | 1972                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '72, '74, '75, '78           |
| 81. Northern Flicker                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 352                                      | '88                          |
| "Red-shafted" race                  | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 352                                      | '88                          |
| "Yellow-shafted" race               | 1977                         | 4                              | 11  | 2                                        | '80                          |
| 82. Vermilion Flycatcher            | 1957                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '57                          |
| 83. Horned Lark                     | 1954                         | 34                             | 97  | 867                                      | '83                          |
| 84. Gray Jay                        | 1968                         | 3                              | 9   | 1                                        | '68, '77, '78                |
| 85. Steller's Jay                   | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 546                                      | '73                          |
| 86. Blue Jay                        | 1957                         | 24                             | 69  | 117                                      | '87                          |
| 87. Scrub Jay                       | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 167                                      | '86                          |
| *-Not officially counted until 1973 |                              |                                |     |                                          |                              |
| +-Not officially counted until 1982 |                              |                                |     |                                          |                              |

| SPECIES                     | YEAR<br>ADDED<br>TO<br>COUNT | NUMBER<br>OF YEARS<br>RECORDED |     | HIGHEST NUMBER OF<br>INDIVIDUALS COUNTED |                                             |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
|                             |                              | #                              | %   | NUMBER                                   | YEAR(S)                                     |
| 88. Pinyon Jay              | 1966                         | 2                              | 6   | 4                                        | '66, '67                                    |
| 89. Clark's Nutcracker      | 1955                         | 10                             | 29  | 40                                       | '72                                         |
| 90. Black-billed Magpie     | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 1832                                     | '81                                         |
| 91. American Crow           | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 721                                      | '79                                         |
| 92. Chihuahuan Raven        | 1971                         | 2                              | 6   | 2                                        | '73                                         |
| 93. Common Raven            | 1955                         | 26                             | 74  | 162                                      | '73                                         |
| 94. Black-capped Chickadee  | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 548                                      | '87                                         |
| 95. Mountain Chickadee      | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 567                                      | '71                                         |
| 96. Bushtit                 | 1956                         | 14                             | 40  | 187                                      | '78                                         |
| 97. Red-breasted Nuthatch   | 1955                         | 30                             | 86  | 85                                       | '72                                         |
| 98. White-breasted Nuthatch | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 91                                       | '76                                         |
| 99. Pygmy Nuthatch          | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 419                                      | '76                                         |
| 100. Brown Creeper          | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 54                                       | '81                                         |
| 101. Rock Wren              | 1954                         | 8                              | 23  | 5                                        | '70                                         |
| 102. Canyon Wren            | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 18                                       | '58                                         |
| 103. Bewick's Wren          | 1961                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '61                                         |
| 104. House Wren             | 1975                         | 2                              | 6   | 1                                        | '75, '79                                    |
| 105. Winter Wren            | 1954                         | 16                             | 46  | 7                                        | '74                                         |
| 106. Marsh Wren             | 1955                         | 17                             | 49  | 11                                       | '74                                         |
| 107. American Dipper        | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 41                                       | '81                                         |
| 108. Golden-crowned Kinglet | 1954                         | 26                             | 74  | 43                                       | '71                                         |
| 109. Ruby-crowned Kinglet   | 1960                         | 16                             | 46  | 11                                       | '81                                         |
| 110. Western Bluebird       | 1974                         | 2                              | 6   | 6                                        | '87                                         |
| 111. Mountain Bluebird      | 1961                         | 3                              | 9   | 2                                        | '75                                         |
| 112. Townsend's Solitaire   | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 302                                      | '77                                         |
| 113. Hermit Thrush          | 1971                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '71                                         |
| 114. Wood Thrush            | 1984                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '84                                         |
| 115. American Robin         | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 1198                                     | '87                                         |
| 116. Gray Catbird           | 1988                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '88                                         |
| 117. Northern Mockingbird   | 1955                         | 11                             | 31  | 2                                        | '62, '68                                    |
| 118. Brown Thrasher         | 1962                         | 9                              | 26  | 1                                        | '62, '63, '69, '70, '72, '75, '76, '86, '88 |
| 119. Water Pipit            | 1957                         | 20                             | 57  | 11                                       | '88                                         |
| 120. Bohemian Waxwing       | 1956                         | 12                             | 34  | 5871                                     | '87                                         |
| 121. Cedar Waxwing          | 1954                         | 18                             | 51  | 140                                      | '87                                         |
| 122. Northern Shrike        | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 18                                       | '75                                         |
| 123. Loggerhead Shrike      | 1955                         | 5                              | 14  | 2                                        | '79                                         |
| 124. European Starling      | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 5559                                     | '79                                         |
| 125. Cape May Warbler       | 1985                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '85                                         |
| 126. Yellow-rumped Warbler  | 1957                         | 7                              | 20  | 5                                        | '57                                         |
| "Myrtle" race               | 1957                         | 2                              | 6   | 1                                        | '57                                         |
| "Audubon's" race            | 1957                         | 4                              | 11  | 4                                        | '57                                         |
| 127. Pine Warbler           | 1979                         | 2                              | 6   | 1                                        | '79, '86                                    |
| 128. Common Yellowthroat    | 1973                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '73                                         |
| 129. Rose-breasted Grosbeak | 1977                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '77                                         |
| 130. Green-tailed Towhee    | 1962                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '62, '69, '86, '87                          |
| 131. Rufous-sided Towhee    | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 83                                       | '83                                         |
| 132. Brown Towhee           | 1961                         | 1                              | 3   | 2                                        | '61                                         |
| 133. American Tree Sparrow  | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 3538                                     | '73                                         |
| 134. Fox Sparrow            | 1954                         | 17                             | 49  | 6                                        | '70                                         |
| 135. Song Sparrow           | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 344                                      | '81                                         |
| 136. Lincoln's Sparrow      | 1954                         | 12                             | 34  | 4                                        | '73                                         |
| 137. Swamp Sparrow          | 1954                         | 19                             | 54  | 5                                        | '77                                         |

| SPECIES                         | YEAR<br>ADDED<br>TO<br>COUNT | NUMBER<br>OF YEARS<br>RECORDED |     | HIGHEST NUMBER OF<br>INDIVIDUALS COUNTED |                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                 |                              | #                              | %   | NUMBER                                   | YEAR(S)            |
| 138. White-throated Sparrow     | 1954                         | 22                             | 63  | 14                                       | '77                |
| 139. Golden-crowned Sparrow     | 1967                         | 3                              | 9   | 1                                        | '67, '84, '86      |
| 140. White-crowned Sparrow      | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 348                                      | '65                |
| 141. Harris' Sparrow            | 1955                         | 31                             | 89  | 40                                       | '69                |
| 142. Dark-eyed Junco            | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 2158                                     | '79                |
| "White-winged" race             | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 253                                      | '72                |
| "Slate-colored" race            | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 462                                      | '83                |
| "Oregon" race**                 | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 923                                      | '74                |
| "Gray-headed" race              | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 618                                      | '74                |
| 143. McCown's Longspur          | 1978                         | 1                              | 3   | 2                                        | '78                |
| 144. Lapland Longspur           | 1972                         | 7                              | 20  | 20                                       | '83                |
| 145. Chestnut-collared Longspur | 1957                         | 2                              | 6   | 3                                        | '78                |
| 146. Snow Bunting               | 1977                         | 2                              | 6   | 12                                       | '83                |
| 147. Red-winged Blackbird       | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 2692                                     | '64                |
| 148. Western Meadowlark         | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 515                                      | '62                |
| 149. Yellow-headed Blackbird    | 1957                         | 4                              | 11  | 1                                        | '57, '68, '77, '85 |
| 150. Rusty Blackbird            | 1959                         | 13                             | 37  | 20                                       | '81                |
| 151. Brewer's Blackbird         | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 619                                      | '58                |
| 152. Common Grackle             | 1959                         | 6                              | 17  | 11                                       | '76                |
| 153. Brown-headed Cowbird       | 1983                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '83                |
| 154. Northern Oriole            | 1982                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '82                |
| "Bullock's" race                | 1982                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '82                |
| 155. Rosy Finch                 | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 540                                      | '72                |
| "Gray-crowned" race             | 1954                         | 26                             | 74  | 535                                      | '72                |
| "Black" race                    | 1954                         | 20                             | 57  | 25                                       | '67, '75, '76      |
| "Brown-capped" race             | 1954                         | 7                              | 20  | 208                                      | '56                |
| 156. Pine Grosbeak              | 1961                         | 9                              | 26  | 20                                       | '74                |
| 157. Purple Finch               | 1971                         | 1                              | 3   | 1                                        | '71                |
| 158. Cassin's Finch             | 1954                         | 34                             | 97  | 628                                      | '63                |
| 159. House Finch                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 1897                                     | '81                |
| 160. Red Crossbill              | 1955                         | 19                             | 54  | 171                                      | '84                |
| 161. White-winged Crossbill     | 1969                         | 1                              | 3   | 75                                       | '69                |
| 162. Common Redpoll             | 1961                         | 14                             | 40  | 91                                       | '75                |
| 163. Pine Siskin                | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 1185                                     | '67                |
| 164. Lesser Goldfinch           | 1960                         | 7                              | 20  | 14                                       | '64                |
| 165. American Goldfinch         | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 651                                      | '54                |
| 166. Evening Grosbeak           | 1954                         | 30                             | 86  | 981                                      | '84                |
| 167. House Sparrow              | 1954                         | 35                             | 100 | 1495                                     | '75                |

\*\*--Includes "Pink-sided" race.

The summary of the 1988 Denver Christmas Bird Count on an Area-by-Area basis follows below.

PARTICIPANTS BY AREA (Leaders underlined)

- AREA 1, Red Rocks Park (RR). Winston William Brockner, Mel Gabel, Barbara Jean Gard.
- AREA 2, Lower Bear Creek (LBC). David Hutchinson, Mary Jane Schock, Bob Spencer.
- AREA 2A, Bear Creek Lake Park (BCP). Kathy Hawkins, Marjorie Roberts.
- AREA 3, BowMar/Marston. (BOW). Tina Jones, Mort Staatz, Rosemary Staatz.



- 9 AREA 4A, Lower South Platte (LSPR). Virginia Bleck, Ruth Breckon, Kathy Holt, Ed Holub, Hazel Kellogg, Jean Maguire, Nicki Pliler, Don & Jo Shrode, Joe TenBrink, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams.
- AREA 4B, Lower South Platte (LSPR). Doris Cruze, Dick Pratt, John Schenck, Dick Schottler.
- AREA 5, Highline Ditch (HLD). Lois Foreman, Betty Oliver, Harold Oliver, Donna Randolph.
- AREA 6, Plum Creek (PCK). Norm Erthal, Doug Ward.
- AREA 7A, Middle South Platte (MSP). Patty Echelmeyer, Diana Mullineaux, JoAnn Riecke, Ellie Walker, Steve Williams.
- AREA 7B, Middle South Platte (MSP). Ann Bonnell, Jo Caldwell, Kathy Hirst, Jan Justice, Hugh Kingery, Urling Kingery, Deb & Peter Ostergard, Else & Tom Van Erp.
- AREA 8, Chatfield SRA (CRA). Mary Burns, Brenda Cockrell, Glenn Hageman, Harold Holt, Joey Kellner, Jill Knaak, Jack Reddall, Steve Stachowiak.
- AREA 9, Upper South Platte (USP). James Allison, Irving Jackson, Adam Mammoser, Joe Mammoser, David Martin, Max Stewart.
- AREA 10, Lower Deer Creek (LD). Elizabeth Willcockson, Lynn Willcockson.
- AREA 11, Upper Deer Creek (UD). Randy Lentz.
- AREA 12, Yegge Peak (YP). Dan Bridges.
- AREA 13, Doublehead Mountain (DH). Mike Carter, Tom Parchman.
- AREA 14, North Turkey Creek (NT). Warren Finch, Robert Fleming.
- AREA 15, Indian Hills (IH). Fred Krampetz, Duane Nelson.
- AREA 16, Upper Bear Creek. Area not counted, Leader ill.
- AREA 17, Ken-Caryl Ranch (KCR). Dave Eberhard, Alan Hay, Dee Hay, Keith Ketner.
- AREA 18, Garrison Gate. Area not counted, no Leader.
- AREA 19, Morrison/Willow Brook (MW). Carol Hack, Fern Hack.
- AREA 20, Willow Creek (WCK). Phil Hayes, Bob Righter, Sandy Righter, Rhonda Woodward.
- AREA 21, Mt. Lindo/Willow Springs. John Bregar.

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FEEDER WATCHERS:

PLAINS: Jane Axtell, Dick Bauer, Ann Bonnell household, Margo Breen, Eleanor Buchtel, Anne Carson, Nita Casto, Betty Chrisman, Joe & Vergie Dooley, Marcia Ferguson, Gene & Pauline Ferrand, Phyl Fischer, Jerome Grutza, Margi Hasslacher, Norman Kautsky, George B. Lange, Dean Lausten, Barbara Livingston, Anna Magee, Dick Masteller, Mark Masteller, Jan Masteller, J. McGrath, Barbara McKee, L. K. McKinney, Sylvia Nelson, Mary Nigro, Marycarol Nowicki, Rick & Joan Payne, Reuben & Elizabeth Ross, Janet Cuneo Shin, Susan Soloyanis, Anne Southcott, Virgil Williams.

FOOTHILLS: Faye Benway, John Fields, Marjory Friedman, Bill Highland, Lila Kint, Doris & Harold McLaughlin, Dieter Kamm, Karl Kamm, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Nicodemus, Len & Mary Alice Paris, John Presler, Helen Waters, Donald Wargo, Rhonda Woodward.

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## PART ONE

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| AREA NUMBER<br>LOCATION  | 1<br>RR | 2<br>LBC | 2A<br>BCP | 3<br>BOW | 4A<br>LSPR | 4B<br>LSPR | 5<br>HLD | 6<br>PCK | 7A<br>MSP | 7B<br>MSP | 8<br>CRA | 9<br>USP |
| Pied-billed Grebe        |         |          |           |          | 2          | 1          |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Western Grebe            |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           | 3        |          |
| Double-crested Cormorant |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           | 3        |          |
| Great Blue Heron         |         | 7        |           | 1        | 2          | 7          |          | 2        | 1         | 4         | 1        |          |
| Gtr. White-fronted Goose |         |          |           |          |            | 1          |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Canada Goose             |         | 394      | 258       | 796      | 1606       | 1500       | 618      | 35       | 125       |           | 500      | 9        |
| Wood Duck                |         |          |           | 4        | 11         | 6          |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Green-winged Teal        |         | 25       |           |          | 20         | 100        |          | 7        |           | 11        | 15       |          |
| Mallard                  | 15      | 677      | 34        | 208      | 446        | 950        |          | 10       | 35        | 41        | 225      |          |
| Northern Pintail         |         | 15       |           |          |            | 8          |          |          |           |           | 60       |          |
| Northern Shoveler        |         | 3        |           |          | 5          |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Gadwall                  |         | 7        | 20        |          |            | 26         |          | 2        |           |           |          |          |
| American Wigeon          |         | 39       |           | 8        | 75         | 18         |          |          |           |           | 15       |          |
| Canvasback               |         |          |           |          | 2          |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Redhead                  |         | 10       |           | 2        | 10         | 3          |          |          |           |           | 4        |          |
| Ring-necked Duck         |         | 16       |           |          | 50         | 10         |          |          | 8         | 3         | 1        |          |
| Lesser Scaup             |         |          |           |          | 6          | 5          |          |          |           |           | 1        |          |
| Common Goldeneye         |         | 34       | 6         | 2        | 18         | 40         |          | 8        | 19        | 78        | 60       |          |
| Bufflehead               |         |          |           |          | 1          | 48         |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Hooded Merganser         |         |          |           |          | 12         |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Common Merganser         |         | 7        | 9         |          | 90         | 28         |          |          |           |           | 50       |          |
| Red-breasted Merganser   |         |          |           |          | 4          |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Ruddy Duck               |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           | 2        |          |
| Bald Eagle               |         |          | 1im       |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Northern Harrier         |         | 2        | 1         |          |            | 6          |          | 1        | 2         | 3         | 4        | 1        |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk       |         | 1        |           |          | 2          |            |          |          |           |           | 2        |          |
| Red-tailed Hawk          |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| "Western" race           | 1       | 4        | 6         |          | 10         | 7          | 2        | 4        | 6         | 2         | 8        | 4        |
| Ferruginous Hawk         |         | 2        | 1         |          |            | 1          |          |          |           | 1         | 3        |          |
| Rough-legged Hawk        | 1       | 1        | 2         |          |            | 2          | 2        | 2        | 1         |           | 2        | 2        |
| Buteo species            |         | 3        |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Golden Eagle             | 2a      |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| American Kestrel         | 1       | 4        | 3         | 1        | 2          | 3          |          | 3        | 2         | 1         | 3        | 1        |
| Prairie Falcon           |         |          |           |          | 1          | 1          |          |          |           |           | 1        |          |
| Ring-necked Pheasant     |         |          |           |          |            | 2          |          |          |           |           | 6        |          |
| Virginia Rail            |         |          |           |          |            |            |          | 2        |           | 4         |          |          |
| American Coot            |         |          |           |          | 75         | 16         |          |          |           | 3         | 10       |          |
| Killdeer                 |         | 2        |           |          | 7          | 12         |          | 2        | 1         | 5         | 4        |          |
| Common Snipe             |         | 4        |           | 4        | 2          |            |          |          |           |           | 4        |          |
| Ring-billed Gull         |         | 111      | 8         | 45       | 71         | 46         |          |          |           | 1         | 50       |          |
| Herring Gull             |         | 1        |           |          | 2          | 2          |          |          |           |           | 35       |          |
| Rock Dove                | 20      | 385      | 8         | 54       | 71         | 90         | 72       | 25       | 11        |           | 40       | 8        |
| Eastern Screech-Owl      |         |          | 1         |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Great Horned Owl         |         | 1        |           |          | 1          | 2          |          | 4        | 3         | 13        | 6        |          |
| Belted Kingfisher        |         | 14       | 1         |          | 2          | 9          |          | 2        | 7         | 7         | 3        | 1        |
| Downy Woodpecker         |         | 3        | 2         | 2        |            | 2          | 4        | 21       | 3         | 2         | 1        | 1        |
| Hairy Woodpecker         |         | 1        | 2         |          |            |            | 1        | 2        |           | 3         |          |          |
| Northern Flicker         |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| "Red-shafted" race       | 7       | 61       | 9         | 7        | 31         | 16         | 8        | 20       | 9         | 19        | 6        | 27       |
| Horned Lark              |         |          | 3         |          |            |            |          | 10       | 7         |           | 40       |          |
| Steller's Jay            |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          | 14       |
| Blue Jay                 |         | 3        |           |          | 6          | 1          |          |          |           |           |          | 1        |
| Scrub Jay                | 19      |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          | 7        |

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|-------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Clark's Nutcracker      |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           | 1         |          |          |
| Black-billed Magpie     | 14      | 472      | 47        | 64       | 71         | 83         | 23       | 35       | 23        | 44        | 65       | 19       |
| American Crow           |         | 2        |           |          | 18         | 3          | 20       | 1        | 2         | 4         | 1        | 56       |
| Common Raven            | 2       | 1        | 5         |          |            | 2          | 3        | 7        | 13        |           | 4        | 7        |
| Black-capped Chickadee  | 6       | 26       | 14        | 9        | 26         | 30         | 31       | 60       | 21        | 58        | 20       | 17       |
| Mountain Chickadee      | 2       |          |           |          |            |            |          |          | 6         |           |          | 1        |
| White-breasted Nuthatch |         |          |           |          | 1          |            |          |          | 1         |           |          |          |
| Brown Creeper           |         | 1        |           | 2        | 1          |            |          | 2        | 1         |           |          | 3        |
| Canyon Wren             | 3       |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Marsh Wren              |         |          |           |          |            |            |          | 2        |           | 1         |          |          |
| American Dipper         | 1       | 7        | 3         | 1        |            | 1          |          |          | 3         | 2         | 1        | 2        |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet    |         | 1        |           | 2        |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Townsend's Solitaire    | 7       |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          | 6        |
| American Robin          | 3       | 22       |           | 50       | 113        | 15         |          |          |           |           | 1        | 1        |
| GRAY CATBIRD            |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          | 1         |           |          |          |
| Brown Thrasher          |         |          |           |          |            | 1          |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Water Pipit             |         |          |           |          |            | 9          |          |          |           |           | 2        |          |
| Cedar Waxwing           |         |          |           | 6        |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| Northern Shrike         |         | 1        |           |          |            | 1          |          | 3        |           | 1         | 1        | 1        |
| European Starling       | 1       | 726      | 24        | 445      | 331        | 260        | 102      | 100      | 20        | 21        | 200      | 9        |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| "Audubon's" race        |         |          |           |          | 1          |            |          |          |           | 1         |          | 6        |
| Rufous-sided Towhee     |         |          |           |          |            |            |          | 1        |           |           |          |          |
| American Tree Sparrow   |         | 15       | 41        |          | 3          | 20         | 59       | 95       | 46        | 29        | 80       | 7        |
| Song Sparrow            | 4       | 27       | 3         | 8        | 3          | 18         | 11       | 40       | 8         | 35        | 30       | 14       |
| Swamp Sparrow           |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          |           | 1         |          |          |
| White-throated Sparrow  |         | 1        |           |          | 1          |            |          |          |           |           |          |          |
| White-crowned Sparrow   |         | 53       |           |          |            | 72         | 2        | 15       | 1         | 6         |          | 7        |
| Harris' Sparrow         |         | 2        |           |          |            |            |          |          | 3         |           |          | 1        |
| Dark-eyed Junco species |         |          |           |          |            |            |          |          | 18        | 35        |          |          |
| "White-winged" race     | 7       |          |           |          |            | 1          |          | 1        | 2         |           |          |          |
| "Slate-colored" race    | 2       | 8        | 11        |          | 18         | 2          | 16       | 6        | 5         | 18        | 8        | 42       |
| "Oregon" race           | 15      | 35       | 7         | 1        | 43         | 25         | 45       | 45       | 16        | 26        | 20       | 60       |
| "Gray-headed" race      | 11      |          | 5         |          |            |            |          |          |           |           |          | 112      |
| Red-winged Blackbird    |         | 8        | 30        |          | 2          | 110        | 133      | 100      |           | 21        | 25       |          |
| Western Meadowlark      |         |          |           |          | 5          | 1          | 9        | 14       | 3         | 1         | 6        |          |
| Rusty Blackbird         |         |          |           |          |            |            |          | 4        |           |           | 7        |          |
| House Finch             | 3       | 68       | 73        | 147      | 89         | 54         | 16       | 20       | 1         | 14        | 11       | 13       |
| American Goldfinch      |         | 16       | 1         |          | 27         | 8          | 1        | 6        |           | 14        | 1        |          |
| House Sparrow           | 5       | 329      | 7         | 86       | 193        | 100        | 38       |          |           |           |          |          |

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| Pied-billed Grebe        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| Western Grebe            |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| Double-crested Cormorant |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| Great Blue Heron         | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 26             |
| Gtr. White-fronted Goose |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Canada Goose             | 74       |          |          |          |          |          | 36        |          | 200       |          | 961          |              | 7112           |
| Wood Duck                |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          | 11           |              | 32             |
| Green-winged Teal        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 178            |
| Mallard                  |          |          |          |          |          |          | 4         |          | 30        |          | 40           |              | 2715           |

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| Northern Pintail        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 83             |
| Northern Shoveler       |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 8              |
| Gadwall                 |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 55             |
| American Wigeon         |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 155            |
| Canvasback              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 2              |
| Redhead                 |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 29             |
| Ring-necked Duck        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 88             |
| Lesser Scaup            |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 12             |
| Common Goldeneye        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 265            |
| Bufflehead              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 49             |
| Hooded Merganser        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 12             |
| Common Merganser        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 184            |
| Red-breasted Merganser  |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 4              |
| Ruddy Duck              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 2              |
| Bald Eagle              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          | 1im       |          |              |              | 2              |
| Northern Harrier        | 2        |          |          |          |          |          | 1         | 1        |           |          |              |              | 24             |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk      |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          |           |          | 5            |              | 10             |
| Cooper's Hawk           |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          |           |          | 1            |              | 2              |
| Red-tailed Hawk         |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              |                |
| "Western" race          |          |          | 1        | 1        |          |          | 6         | 1        | 1         |          |              |              | 64             |
| Ferruginous Hawk        |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          | 1         |          |              |              | 10             |
| Rough-legged Hawk       | 2        |          |          |          |          |          | 2         |          |           |          |              |              | 19             |
| Buteo species           |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          | 2         |          |              |              | 6              |
| Golden Eagle            |          |          |          |          |          | 1a       | 2ad       |          | 1im       | 1a       |              | 1-?          | 8              |
| American Kestrel        | 2        |          |          |          |          |          | 4         |          | 3         |          |              |              | 33             |
| Prairie Falcon          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1         | 1        |           |          |              |              | 5              |
| Ring-necked Pheasant    |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 8              |
| Blue Grouse             |          |          |          |          |          | 3        |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| Wild Turkey             |          | 8        |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 8              |
| Virginia Rail           |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 6              |
| American Coot           |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 104            |
| Killdeer                | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |           |          | 1         |          |              |              | 35             |
| Common Snipe            | 1        |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          | 1         |          |              |              | 17             |
| Ring-billed Gull        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          | 59        |          |              |              | 391            |
| Herring Gull            |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 40             |
| Rock Dove               | 2        |          |          |          |          | 27       | 107       | 21       | 120       | 1        | 106          |              | 1168           |
| Eastern Screech-Owl     |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Great Horned Owl        | 3        |          |          |          |          |          | 1         |          |           |          |              |              | 34             |
| Northern Pygmy-Owl      |          |          |          |          |          | 1        |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Belted Kingfisher       |          |          |          |          |          |          |           | 1        | 1         |          |              |              | 48             |
| Downy Woodpecker        | 2        |          |          |          | 1        | 1        | 2         | 3        |           |          | 8            | 4            | 62             |
| Hairy Woodpecker        |          | 1        |          | 1        | 3        | 2        |           |          |           |          |              | 5            | 21             |
| Northern Flicker        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              |                |
| "Red-shafted" race      | 2        | 2        | 3        | 2        |          | 2        | 17        | 7        | 20        | 4        | 72           | 1            | 352            |
| Horned Lark             |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 60             |
| Steller's Jay           | 11       | 78       | 35       | 17       | 15       | 11       | 4         | 7        | 8         | 4        |              | 75           | 279            |
| Blue Jay                | 3        |          |          |          |          |          | 9         |          | 7         |          | 55           |              | 85             |
| Scrub Jay               | 16       |          | 1        |          |          | 1        | 31        | 32       | 7         | 10       | 9            | 19           | 152            |
| Clark's Nutcracker      |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Black-billed Magpie     | 8        | 6        | 3        | 6        | 10       | 7        | 45        | 13       | 28        | 9        | 106          | 14           | 1215           |
| American Crow           | 16       |          | 5        | 42       | 20       | 1        | 43        | 2        | 142       |          | 9            | 18           | 405            |
| Common Raven            | 1        | 4        | 4        | 4        | 1        | 1        | 7         | 1        | 17        | 3        |              | 2            | 89             |
| Black-capped Chickadee  | 9        | 22       |          |          | 6        | 4        | 14        | 14       | 12        | 7        | 53           | 28           | 487            |
| Mountain Chickadee      | 1        | 29       | 50       | 72       | 15       | 13       | 1         | 5        |           | 3        | 10           | 38           | 246            |



## PART TWO (continued)

| AREA NUMBER<br>LOCATION | 10<br>LD | 11<br>UD | 12<br>YP | 13<br>DH | 14<br>NT | 15<br>IH | 17<br>KCR | 19<br>MW | 20<br>WCK | 21<br>ML | FEED<br>PLNS | FEED<br>FOOT | GRAND<br>TOTAL |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Red-breasted Nuthatch   |          |          |          | 6        |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 6              |
| White-breasted Nuthatch | 1        | 7        | 3        | 8        | 5        | 6        |           |          | 2         | 1        |              | 9            | 44             |
| Pygmy Nuthatch          |          |          | 28       | 38       | 15       | 11       |           |          |           |          |              | 20           | 112            |
| Brown Creeper           |          |          | 2        | 4        |          | 7        |           |          | 1         |          | 1            |              | 25             |
| Canyon Wren             | 1        | 1        |          |          |          | 1        |           |          |           | 1        |              |              | 7              |
| Marsh Wren              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| American Dipper         |          |          |          |          |          |          |           | 2        |           |          |              |              | 23             |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet  |          |          | 8        |          |          | 1        |           |          |           | 1        |              |              | 10             |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet    |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| Townsend's Solitaire    |          | 5        | 2        | 3        | 8        | 37       | 3         |          |           | 9        |              |              | 80             |
| American Robin          |          | 2        | 7        |          | 1        | 21       | 21        |          | 2         | 3        | 53           | 1            | 326            |
| GRAY CATBIRD            |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Brown Thrasher          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Water Pipit             |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 11             |
| Cedar Waxwing           |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 6              |
| Northern Shrike         |          |          | 1        |          | 1        | 1        |           | 2        | 3         |          | 1            |              | 17             |
| European Starling       | 19       |          |          | 13       | 6        | 15       | 291       | 35       | 450       | 10       | 885          | 4            | 3967           |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 2              |
| "Audubon's" race        |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 2              |
| Rufous-sided Towhee     | 6        | 2        |          | 1        |          |          | 4         | 3        |           | 1        | 5            |              | 29             |
| American Tree Sparrow   | 6        |          |          |          |          |          | 33        |          | 6         |          | 70           |              | 510            |
| Song Sparrow            | 2        |          |          |          |          | 1        | 3         | 1        | 1         |          |              |              | 209            |
| Lincoln's Sparrow       | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| Swamp Sparrow           |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 1              |
| White-throated Sparrow  |          | 1        |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 3              |
| White-crowned Sparrow   | 10       |          |          |          |          | 1        |           |          |           |          | 8            |              | 175            |
| Harris' Sparrow         |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          | 1            |              | 7              |
| Dark-eyed Junco species |          |          |          |          | 5        |          | 32        | 55       |           |          | 54           | 80           | 279            |
| "White-winged" race     |          |          |          | 23       | 1        | 23       |           |          | 1         | 10       |              | 1            | 70             |
| "Slate-colored" race    | 1        |          | 3        | 31       | 1        | 2        |           | 14       | 3         | 11       | 53           | 17           | 262            |
| "Oregon" race           | 2        | 14       |          | 8        | 10       | 40       | 5         | 85       | 10        | 25       | 63           | 23           | 623            |
| "Gray-headed" race      | 2        | 15       | 9        | 61       | 20       | 15       |           | 25       | 1         | 1        | 34           | 30           | 341            |
| Red-winged Blackbird    | 18       |          |          |          |          |          | 41        | 10       | 7         |          | 59           |              | 564            |
| Western Meadowlark      | 11       |          |          |          |          |          | 10        |          | 12        |          |              |              | 72             |
| Rusty Blackbird         |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              |              | 11             |
| Rosy Finch              |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |          |              | 50           | 50             |
| Cassin's Finch          |          |          |          |          | 7        |          |           |          |           |          |              | 12           | 19             |
| House Finch             |          |          |          |          | 2        | 7        | 116       | 35       | 80        | 25       | 533          | 38           | 1345           |
| Pine Siskin             |          |          |          |          | 10       |          |           |          |           |          | 14           | 9            | 33             |
| American Goldfinch      | 1        |          |          |          | 6        |          |           |          | 3         | 6        | 38           | 2            | 130            |
| Evening Grosbeak        |          | 7        | 2        | 17       | 25       |          |           |          | 1         |          | 5            |              | 57             |
| House Sparrow           |          |          |          |          |          | 8        | 120       | 15       | 50        | 3        | 450          | 27           | 1431           |

## TOTALS BY COUNT AREA

| AREA NUMBER | 1   | 2    | 2A  | 3    | 4A   | 4B   | 5    | 6   | 7A  | 7B  | 8    | 9   | 10  | 11  |
|-------------|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| SPECIES     | 21  | 49   | 31  | 24   | 48   | 52   | 21   | 37  | 33  | 36  | 50   | 30  | 31  | 16  |
| INDIVIDUALS | 152 | 3668 | 646 | 1955 | 3589 | 3785 | 1216 | 719 | 434 | 534 | 1651 | 460 | 238 | 204 |

| AREA NUMBER | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 17   | 19  | 20   | 21  | FEPL | FEFH | TOTAL |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|------|-------|
| SPECIES     | 17  | 17  | 20  | 28  | 34   | 23  | 34   | 20  | 29   | 21   | 97    |
| INDIVIDUALS | 167 | 358 | 194 | 272 | 1020 | 391 | 1295 | 139 | 3773 | 528  | 27388 |

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

DECEMBER 6. RED ROCKS PARK AND MORRISON PARK. Leader: Ann Bonnell  
Observers: 38.

Cooper's Hawk-1, Golden Eagle-2, Rock Dove-4, Northern Flicker  
"Red-shafted"-4, Steller's Jay-2, Scrub Jay-11, Black-billed  
Magpie-6, American Crow-2, Common Raven-2, Black-capped Chickadee-6,  
White-breasted Nuthatch-1, Canyon Wren-1, American Dipper-3, Town-  
Send's Solitaire-6, American Robin-1, Northern Shrike-2, European  
Starling-1, Dark-eyed Junco "Oregon"-10; (sp?)-6, House Finch-2.  
(19 species, 73 individuals).

DECEMBER 13. CHEESMAN LAKE. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 34.

Mallard-3, Common Goldeneye-3, Common Merganser-4, Bald Eagle-7  
(4 im., 3 adult), Red-tailed Hawk-1, Steller's Jay-3, Black-billed  
Magpie-3, American Crow-8, Dark-eyed Junco "Gray-headed"-2; (sp.?)  
-20. (9 species, 54 individuals).

DECEMBER 20. CHRISTMAS WEEK - NO TRIP SCHEDULED

DECEMBER 27. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 7.

Canada Goose-104, Bald Eagle-1, Red-tailed Hawk-2, American Kestrel-  
5, Gull(sp.?) -2, Rock Dove-14, Great Horned Owl-1, Northern Flicker  
"Red-shafted"-5, Black-billed Magpie-17, American Crow-5, Black-  
capped Chickadee-12, American Tree Sparrow-24, Song Sparrow-1, House  
Finch-8. (14 species, 202 individuals).

Monna Krebs (compiler)

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DECEMBER 1988 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

DECEMBER 3, Saturday. Northwest Metro Area. Leader: Roland Olderog. Ob-  
servers: Scott Fitzmorris, Phil Hayes, Kathy Holt, Don & Jo Shr-  
ode, Anne Southcott, Allaire Wallace, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Will-  
iams. (Clear; Wind, 0-5 MPH; 27°-54°). 45 miles by car, 2 miles  
on foot. 8 hours birding. (38 species, 2728 individuals)

Great Blue Heron-3, Black-crowned Night-Heron-5, Canada Goose-  
1044, Green-winged Teal-9, Mallard-482, Northern Shoveler-59,  
Gadwall-2, American Wigeon-18, Lesser Scaup-2, Common Goldeneye-  
97, Bufflehead-1, Red-tailed Hawk-2, Ferruginous Hawk-1, Rough-  
legged Hawk-1, American Kestrel-3, American Coot-9, Killdeer-3,  
Common Snipe-2, Ring-billed Gull-587, California Gull-1, Rock  
Dove-201, Downy Woodpecker-1, Northern Flicker-9, Blue Jay-1,  
Black-billed Magpie-38, American Crow-3, Black-capped Chickadee-  
1, American Robin-8, European Starling-40, Song Sparrow-1, White-  
throated Sparrow-1, White-crowned Sparrow-3, Dark-eyed Junco-4,  
Red-winged Blackbird-36, Western Meadowlark-1, Brewer's Black-  
bird-1, House Finch-30, House Sparrow-18.

DECEMBER 4, Sunday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA. Leader: Jack Reddall. Ob-  
servers: Mary Burns, Nate Burns, Patty Echelmeyer, Lisa Hardy,  
Joe Himmel, Bill Howard, Jill Knaak, Randy Lentz, Diana Mullin-  
eaux, Jerry & Arlene Raskin, Marilyn & Lee Rowe, Mort Staatz,  
Ellie Walker, Allaire Wallace, Scott Wallace. (Clear; Wind, SE

DECEMBER 4, 0-10 MPH; 24°-55°). 26 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 9.5 hours (con't) birding. (49 species, 5403 individuals).

Western Grebe-1; American White Pelican-1; Double-crested Cormorant-3; Canada Goose-800; Green-winged Teal-30; Mallard-70; Gadwall-1 female; American Wigeon-1 male, 4 females; Common Goldeneye-300; Bufflehead-1 female; Hooded Merganser-2 males, 1 female; Common Merganser-3000; Red-breasted Merganser-1 female; Northern Harrier-3; Red-tailed Hawk ("Western" race)-3; Ferruginous Hawk-3; American Kestrel-1; Prairie Falcon-1; Ring-necked Pheasant-2 males; Virginia Rail-4 seen, 2 heard only; Killdeer-4; Common Snipe-1; Mew Gull-1 immature; Ring-billed Gull-750; California Gull-2; Herring Gull-150; Thayer's Gull-1 immature; Rock Dove-7; Great Horned Owl-2; Long-eared Owl-3; Belted Kingfisher-1; Downy Woodpecker-1; Northern Flicker ("Red-shafted" race)-4; Black-billed Magpie-40; American Crow-3; Black-capped Chickadee-6; Brown Creeper-1; American Robin-25; Northern Shrike-1 adult, 1 immature; European Starling-30; American Tree Sparrow-25; Song Sparrow-5; White-crowned Sparrow ("Gambel's" race)-2; Dark-eyed Junco-5; Red-winged Blackbird-50; Western Meadowlark-3; House Finch-25; American Goldfinch-3; House Sparrow-15.

ADDITIONAL DECEMBER 1988 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

Greater White-fronted Goose 12-29 (1) Jumbo Reservoir, Sedgwick Co. (DB).  
Merlin 12-18 (1 female) Evergreen, Jefferson Co. (DB, DK). Written documentation submitted (DB) describing the very dark race of the Pacific Northwest (F. c. suckleyi).  
Short-eared Owl 12-23 (1) & 12-31 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (JR).  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 12-6 (1) south side of the South Platte River, 1 mile east of Kuner, Weld Co. (DB); 12-14 (1) South Republican SWA east of Hale, Yuma Co. (JH); 12-19 (1 male) Muir Springs Park, Morgan Co. (JR).  
Canyon Wren 12-14 (2) Two Buttes SWA, Baca Co. (JH).  
Northern Mockingbird 12-14 (1) Two Buttes SWA (JH).  
Water Pipit 12-6 (4) along the South Platte River, 3 miles east of Kuner, Weld Co. (DB).

CONTRIBUTORS: Dan Bridges (DB), Joe Himmel (JH), Dieter Kamm (DK), Jack Reddall (JR).

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DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 1989

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PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.  
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- FEBRUARY 4, Saturday. SEDALIA, PLUM CREEK & CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 8:00 A.M. in Albertson's parking lot, northwest corner of intersection of South Broadway and County Line Road. \*
- 5, Sunday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Norm Erthal (424-6747). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Prospect Park, West 44th Avenue near Robb Street.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip, lunch optional.
- 11, Saturday. BIRD FEEDERS: LITTLETON, DEER CREEK & TURKEY CREEK. Leader: Bob Spencer (279-4682). Meet at 7:30 A.M. in the Safe-way parking lot, South Logan and US Hwy. 285 (Hampden Ave.) \*
- 12, Sunday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe (659-8069). Meet at 8:00 A.M. at the Nature Center in the park \*
- 18, Saturday. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Pete Gober, US Fish and Wildlife. Coordinator: Ed Holub (979-2194). Carpool at 7:30 A.M. at east end of the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History. More trips will be scheduled. \*
- 19, Sunday. CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Floyd Pendell (758-5530). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the west gate (east of Cherry Creek High School).  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day.
- 25, Saturday. FORT COLLINS AREA INCLUDING HAMILTON RESERVOIR. Leader: Dr. Ron Ryder (1-482-8089). Meet at Sheldon Lake in City Park, Fort Collins at 9:00 A.M. (exit from I-25 on Colo. Hwy. 14, which is Mulberry Street in town, continue west past



College Avenue to the park). Meet for carpooling at 7:30 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History. Coordinator: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). \*

FEBRUARY 26, Sunday. RED ROCKS PARK—for Rosy Finches later in the afternoon. Leader: Warren Finch (233-3392). Meet at 1:00 P.M. at the Trading Post in Red Rocks Park.

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\*-BRING LUNCH

Submitted by: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

FIELD TRIP COORDINATORS

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TUESDAY BIRDERS. You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

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FIELD TRIP LEADERS NEEDED

If you would like to lead a Field Trip for the Denver Field Ornithologists, please call either Ruth Breckon (455-0970) or Ruth Wheeler (455-3924).

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TRANSPORTATION COSTS ON FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on Denver Field Ornithologists' sponsored Field Trips with those who drive. Suggested cost is 10¢ per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

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CARPOOLING URGED ON FIELD TRIPS

All Denver Field Ornithologists are urged to carpool wherever possible when going on Field Trips to help to conserve energy. If you contemplate going on any of the scheduled Field Trips listed for February, please contact the Leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling.

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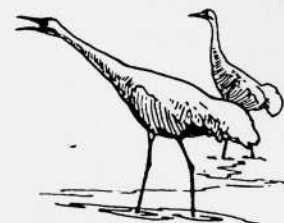
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TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN ARRANGING FOR CARPOOLING. BE SURE THE DRIVERS KNOW THE ROUTE TO BE TAKEN SO NO ONE GETS LOST. ARRANGE FOR A REST STOP BY NOON. MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO SEE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE GROUP SEE THE BIRDS OBSERVED. OBTAIN SOME COPIES OF THE "DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGIST-MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION" HANDOUT SHEET TO GIVE TO PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS JOINING YOUR FIELD TRIP. CALL ALAN HAY (422-0239) TO OBTAIN COPIES.

MONTE VISTA CRANE FESTIVAL

March 18-19, 1989

Ski Hi Park - Sherman Avenue - Monte Vista, CO



BUS TOURS

Monte Vista Kiwanis Club will host tours to view the cranes with guides provided by the Alamosa/Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge staff. Tour times: Saturday 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday 7:30 a.m. Reservations required. Cost - donations only.

SATURDAY  
LUNCH/PROGRAM

San Luis Valley baked potato lunch served at Ski Hi Park followed by a special film program presented by the Alamosa/Monte Vista Refuge staff. Reservations required. Cost \$6

SATURDAY  
BANQUET

This special evening held at Movie Manor - 2 miles west on Hwy. 160. Program speakers are Dr. Rod Drewin and his associate, Wendy Brown. Time is 6:30 p.m. Reservations required. Cost \$12

SUNDAY PROGRAM

Audio Visual Presentation held at Ski Hi park at 10 a.m. by Glenn Hinshaw. Div. of Wildlife - no admission fee.

WILDLIFE  
FINE ART SHOW

Ski Hi Park - Sherman Avenue is the location for this year's juried fine art show which is under the sponsorship of the Western Valley Arts Council. A photography show will also be available. Sat. & Sun. 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. No admission fee.

CRAFTS &  
DISPLAYS

Crafts from around the valley will be on show and offered for sale to visitors. Other interest displays will also be shown.

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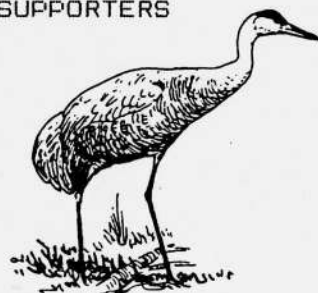
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Monte Vista Motel - (719) 852-3584  
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RESERVATIONS

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING FIRST WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY, EXCEPT FOR DECEMBER, AT 7:30 P.M., DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM.

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JANUARY 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

JANUARY 1, Sunday. NEW YEAR'S DAY. No trip scheduled.

2, Monday. Urban Denver Christmas Bird Count (URBANX). Count leaders & compilers: Hugh & Urling Kingery. Observers: 66. Feeder-Watchers: 12. (80 species, 37,166 individuals). Most abundant birds: Canada Goose-13752, European Starling-5682, Mallard-2720, Rock Dove-2695 which equals 24949 individuals or 67% of all numbers counted.

7, Saturday. South Platte River-Urban (SPR). Leader: Bob Spencer. Observers: Ruth Breckon, Glenn Hageman, Alan & Dee Hay, Phil Hayes, Thompson Marsh, Tim Schowalter, Anne Southcott, Ruth Wheeler. (Clear to partly cloudy; Wind, 5-15 MPH; 20°-27°). 20 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (31 species, 1075 individuals).

8, Sunday. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (WGB). Leader: Patty Echelmeyer. Observers: Suzanne Burdick, Scott Fitzmorris, Ira Sanders, Allaire Wallace. (Clear; Wind, 10 MPH; 14°-20°). .5 miles by car,



JANUARY 8, zero (?) miles on foot. 1.5 hours birding. (24 species, 383 individuals).

- 14, Saturday. Barr Lake State Park and vicinity (BARR). Leader: Walt Bull. Observers: Joe & Norma Canby, Lisa Hardy, Joe Himmel, Irv Jackson, Thompson Marsh. (Clear to partly cloudy; Wind, NW 0-10 MPH; 18°-35°). 18 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 4 hours birding. (21 species, 2156 individuals).
- 15, Sunday. Birds of Prey Rehabilitation Foundation. Leaders: Sigrid Urblacker & Trish Phillips. Participants: Bob Berman, Virginia Bleck, Ruth Breckon, Merlynn Brown, Lisa Hardy, Alan & Dee Hay, Colby Lemons, Randy Lentz, Cindy Lippincott, Jean Maguire, Todd Myers, Sheryl & Dale Peterson, Don & Jo Shrode, Joe TenBrink. The care and attention to the mental and physical injuries of a variety of hawks, falcons, eagles and owls were observed.
- 21, Saturday. Boulder area: Boulder Creek east and Valmont Reservoir (BLD). Leader: Bob Jickling. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Angela Bradley, Rich Barker, Don Ferguson, Warren Finch, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Helen Hassemer, Alan Hay, Phil Hayes, Joe Himmel, Bill Kaempfer, Hazel Kellogg, Susan & Thompson Marsh, Ruth Wheeler, Dick Williams. (Clear; Wind, 0-3 MPH; 38°-61°). 25 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. ?-hours birding. (46 species, 1974 individuals).
- 22, Sunday. Chatfield SRA (CRA). Leaders: Brenda Cockrell and Joey Kellner. Observers: Randy Lentz, Jack Reddall, Joe TenBrink, Jean VanLoan. (Clear; Wind, 0-10 MPH; 25°-61°). 16 miles by car, 3.5 miles on foot. 7.45 hours birding. (41 species, 1598 individuals).
- 28, Saturday. Trip cancelled due to inclement weather.
- 29, Sunday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCK). Leader: Mort Staatz. Observers: NONE! (Clear, 15"-18" of snow cover; 20°-42°). 8 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 6.25 hours birding. (22 species, 773 individuals). GOOD SHOW, MORT!!

#### FEBRUARY FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Seven field trips were scheduled by the Denver Field Ornithologists in January with the one on Saturday, the 28th cancelled due to the heavy snow storm and strong winds. The remaining six field trips accounted for 71 species recorded for the month. The inaugural Urban Denver Christmas Bird Count was conducted on January 2nd. This Count came up with 80 species and the results are included in the January 1989 summaries, making a total of 89 species reported on field trips.

A wintering Clark's Grebe was spotted in the Boulder area, Valmont Reservoir (?) on the 21st, a rare sighting for this species at this time of the year. Black-crowned Night-Herons are wintering in fair numbers along the South Platte River (mostly between West Hampden Avenue and Florida) in the Denver area with 10 reported on the Urban Denver CBC. A male Greater Scaup was observed on the 8th at Prospect Lake in the Wheat Ridge Greenbelt - a favorite wintering spot it seems in recent years for one to three birds of this uncommon species in Colorado. An amazing 93 Ferruginous Hawks were counted on the Urban Denver CBC with 51 alone being observed on the Rocky Mountain Arsenal grounds (and none with two heads or three wings!). Another 29 Ferruginous Hawks were counted at Buckley Field east of Aurora. And to top it off 30 Bald Eagles were present on the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on the Urban Denver CBC! Seventeen Northern Bobwhites were also counted on Arsenal

grounds on the 2nd (where did they come from?). A single, sub-adult California Gull was observed at the Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, also on January 2. Three Long-eared Owls were located at their communal winter roosting spot on the 2nd at Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA along with a hunting Short-eared Owl. Both of these species have been present all month at this location.

A single Ruby-crowned Kinglet was found on the Boulder field trip on January 21st. One of the better finds for the month was a Sage Thrasher located at the Denver Botanical Gardens on the 2nd. This species has never been recorded on the Denver CBC in 35 years! Yellow-rumped Warblers (presumably the "Audubon's" race) were found at two locations during the month: two on the Urban Denver CBC and three in the Boulder area on January 21. Also of special note was a Field Sparrow observed on the 2nd on the Urban Denver CBC. One Swamp Sparrow was also reported on this Count.

In passing, one has to wonder where our "normal" wintering species are this year. There have been no reports of Glaucous Gulls, Bohemian Waxwings, Snow Buntings and Common Redpolls. Few Lapland Longspurs have been seen. Montane species, normally common at this time of the year, are either extremely rare or non-existent: Northern Goshawk, Red-breasted Nuthatch, Golden-crowned Kinglet, Rosy Finch, Cassin's Finch, Red Crossbill, Pine Siskin (!) and Evening Grosbeak. Possibly a fairly mild December and January may have contributed to this situation or it may have something to do with natural food supply.

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|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Pied-billed Grebe                                  | 2                     |                 |                 |                    | 16               |                  |                  |
| Western Grebe                                      |                       |                 |                 |                    | 12               |                  |                  |
| Clark's Grebe                                      |                       |                 |                 |                    | 1                |                  |                  |
| Double-crested Cormorant                           | 1                     |                 |                 |                    | 4                |                  |                  |
| Great Blue Heron                                   | 4                     | 2               |                 |                    | 1                | 1                |                  |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                          | 10                    | 7               |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Canada Goose                                       | 13752                 | 426             | 230             | 2000               | 680              | 920              | 110              |
| Wood Duck                                          | 13                    | 2               | 1               |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Green-winged Teal                                  | 226                   | 12              |                 |                    |                  | 71               |                  |
| Mallard                                            | 2720                  | 230             | 35              | 21                 | 250              | 325              | 32               |
| Northern Pintail                                   | 33                    |                 |                 |                    |                  | 12               |                  |
| Northern Shoveler                                  | 796                   | 52              | 1               |                    | 2                |                  |                  |
| Gadwall                                            | 206                   | 25              |                 |                    | 32               | 5                |                  |
| American Wigeon                                    | 263                   | 31              | 5               |                    | 2                |                  |                  |
| Canvasback                                         | 1                     |                 |                 |                    | 16               |                  |                  |
| Redhead                                            | 1                     |                 |                 |                    | 35               |                  |                  |
| Ring-necked Duck                                   | 27                    | 3               |                 |                    | 375              |                  |                  |
| Greater Scaup                                      |                       |                 | 1ma             |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Lesser Scaup                                       | 49                    | 1fe             | 7               |                    | 6                |                  |                  |
| Common Goldeneye                                   | 302                   | 18              | 2               | 4                  | 6                | 29               | 65               |
| Bufflehead                                         | 10                    | 1fe             |                 |                    |                  | 1fe              |                  |
| Hooded Merganser                                   | 26                    | 9               |                 |                    | 8                |                  | 1                |
| Common Merganser                                   | 331                   | 1fe             |                 |                    | 75               |                  | 180              |
| Red-breasted Merganser                             |                       |                 |                 |                    | 3                |                  | 5                |
| Bald Eagle                                         | 11a19i                |                 |                 | 2a1i               | 2ad              | 1ad              |                  |
| Northern Harrier                                   | 16                    |                 |                 | 3                  |                  | 1                | 2                |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                                 | 7                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                    | 47                    |                 |                 |                    | 1                | 10               | 3                |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                   | 93                    |                 |                 | 2                  |                  | 1                |                  |
| Rough-legged Hawk                                  | 21                    |                 |                 | 1                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Buteo species                                      | 2                     |                 | 1               |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Golden Eagle                                       | 7a5i4?                |                 |                 |                    |                  | 2                |                  |

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|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| American Kestrel                                   | 35                    | 2               |                 | 1                  | 2                | 4                | 1                |
| Merlin                                             | 3                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Prairie Falcon                                     | 2                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                               | 108                   |                 |                 | 1                  |                  |                  | 1                |
| <u>Northern Bobwhite</u>                           | 17                    |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Virginia Rail                                      | 4                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| American Coot                                      | 8                     | 4               | 6               |                    | 65               |                  |                  |
| Killdeer                                           | 34                    | 2               |                 |                    |                  | 3                |                  |
| Common Snipe                                       | 15                    |                 |                 |                    | 2                | 1                |                  |
| Ring-billed Gull                                   | 2373                  | 97              | 25              |                    | 85               | 27               | 205              |
| <u>California Gull</u>                             | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Herring Gull                                       | 38                    | 8               |                 |                    | 2im              | 4                | 2                |
| Gull species                                       | 20                    |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Rock Dove                                          | 2695                  | 68              | 1               |                    | 30               | 40               |                  |
| Eastern Screech-Owl                                | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Great Horned Owl                                   | 26                    |                 |                 |                    |                  | 6                | 1                |
| Long-eared Owl                                     | 3                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Short-eared Owl                                    | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Belted Kingfisher                                  | 27                    | 2               | 1               |                    | 2                | 3                |                  |
| Downy Woodpecker                                   | 23                    | 1               | 2               |                    |                  |                  | 1                |
| "Eastern" races                                    |                       |                 |                 |                    | 4                | 1fe              |                  |
| Hairy Woodpecker                                   | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| "Rocky Mountain" race                              |                       |                 |                 |                    |                  | 1ma              |                  |
| Northern Flicker                                   | 226                   |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  | 2                |
| "Red-shafted" race                                 |                       | 1               | 3               |                    | 9                | 7                |                  |
| Horned Lark                                        | 167                   |                 |                 | 40                 |                  |                  |                  |
| Blue Jay                                           | 25                    |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Black-billed Magpie                                | 821                   | 9               | 8               | 8                  | 7                | 30               | 15               |
| American Crow                                      | 347                   | 1               |                 |                    | 2                | 4                |                  |
| Common Raven                                       | 2                     | 1               |                 |                    |                  | 1                |                  |
| Black-capped Chickadee                             | 112                   |                 | 4               | 2                  | 8                | 16               | 14               |
| Mountain Chickadee                                 | 6                     |                 |                 |                    | 2                | 2                |                  |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch                              | 5                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| White-breasted Nuthatch                            | 3                     |                 |                 |                    | 1                |                  |                  |
| Brown Creeper                                      | 7                     |                 |                 |                    | 1                | 1                |                  |
| Marsh Wren                                         | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| American Dipper                                    | 1                     |                 |                 |                    | 1                | 3                |                  |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                               |                       |                 |                 |                    | 1                |                  |                  |
| American Robin                                     | 675                   | 1               | 1               |                    | 4                |                  | 24               |
| <u>Sage Thrasher</u>                               | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Water Pipit                                        | 2                     |                 |                 |                    |                  | 1                |                  |
| Northern Shrike                                    | 7                     |                 |                 | 1                  |                  |                  |                  |
| European Starling                                  | 5682                  | 30              | 15              | 6                  | 120              | 4                | 57               |
| <u>Yellow-rumped Warbler</u>                       | 2                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| "Audubon's" race                                   |                       |                 |                 |                    | 2                |                  |                  |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                                |                       |                 |                 |                    |                  | 2                |                  |
| American Tree Sparrow                              | 186                   |                 |                 | 16                 | 1                | 21               | 14               |
| <u>Field Sparrow</u>                               | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| Song Sparrow                                       | 42                    |                 |                 |                    | 1                | 11               | 5                |
| Swamp Sparrow                                      | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| White-throated Sparrow                             |                       |                 | 2               |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| White-crowned Sparrow                              | 43                    |                 | 6               | 10                 |                  |                  |                  |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                    | 222                   |                 |                 | 13                 |                  |                  |                  |
| "White-winged" race                                | 1                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |



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| Dark-eyed Junco (con't)                            |                       |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| "Slate-colored" race                               | 48                    |                 |                 | 2                  |                  | 1                |                  |
| "Oregon" race                                      | 109                   |                 |                 | 3                  | 4                | 4                | 18               |
| "Pink-sided" race                                  | 59                    |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| "Gray-headed" race                                 | 7                     |                 |                 | 1                  |                  | 5                | 6                |
| Red-winged Blackbird                               | 412                   |                 | 15              | 7                  | 40               | 7                |                  |
| Western Meadowlark                                 | 124                   |                 |                 | 8                  |                  | 1                | 9                |
| Brewer's Blackbird                                 | 25                    |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| House Finch                                        | 1304                  | 4               | 8               | 2                  | 18               | 2                |                  |
| Pine Siskin                                        | 3                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| American Goldfinch                                 | 47                    |                 | 3               | 1                  | 2                |                  |                  |
| Evening Grosbeak                                   | 2                     |                 |                 |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| House Sparrow                                      | 1998                  | 24              |                 |                    | 30               | 6                |                  |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 89                                 | 80                    | 31              | 24              | 21                 | 47               | 41               | 23               |

ABBREVIATIONS & NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i;  
Plains=PLNS, PLN.

ADDITIONAL JANUARY 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

Common Loon 1-1 (1, winter plumage) Hamilton Reservoir, Larimer Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
 Eared Grebe 1-14 (2, winter plumage), Pueblo Reservoir, Pueblo Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
American White Pelican 1-1 (1) C.F.&I. Lakes, Pueblo Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
Greater White-fronted Goose 1-13 (1 adult) Jumbo Reservoir SWA, Sedgwick Co. (JR).  
 Hooded Merganser 1-30 (3 males, 3 females) Centennial Park, Englewood, Arapahoe Co. (TJ).  
 Red-breasted Merganser 1-30 (5 males, 2 females) Centennial Park, Englewood (TJ).  
 Sharp-shinned Hawk 1-1 (1 adult) Manitou Springs, El Paso Co. (PL, JR).  
 Cooper's Hawk 1-4 (1 adult) Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (JR).  
 Northern Goshawk 1-4 (1 immature) Castlewood Canyon S.P., Douglas Co. (JR).  
 Merlin ("Richardson's" race) 1-23 (1 female) Veterans Park, Brighton, Adams Co. (JR).  
 White-tailed Ptarmigan 1-30 (2) Guanella Pass, Clear Creek Co. (AH).  
Mew Gull 1-4 (1 sub-adult) Prospect Lake, Wheat Ridge Greenbelt, Jefferson Co. (JR).  
 Thayer's Gull 1-10 (1 adult) South Platte River @ Evans Ave., Denver, Denver Co. (JR).  
 Common Barn-Owl 1-1 (1 adult) C.F.&I. Lakes (PL, WL, JR).  
 Eastern Screech-Owl 1-15 (1) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (NL, JR).  
 Northern Pygmy-Owl 1-21 (1 adult) 1 mile south of Deckers, Douglas Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
 Short-eared Owl Present all month (1 adult) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (JR). Has been at this location since 12-23-1988.  
 Red-bellied Woodpecker 1-27 (1 male) South Republican SWA, Yuma Co. (JR);  
 1-27 (1 female) Foster Grove Campground, Bonny Reservoir SRA, Yuma Co. (JR).  
 Bushtit 1-1 (20) Manitou Springs (PL, WL, JR).  
 Red-breasted Nuthatch 1-17 (1) Fort Collins cemetery, Larimer Co. (JR).  
 Golden-crowned Kinglet 1-17 (1 female) Fort Collins cemetery (JR).  
 Eastern Bluebird 1-27 (9) South Republican SWA (JR).  
Varied Thrush 1-21 (1 male) Manitou Springs (PL, WL, JR).  
 Northern Mockingbird 1-13 (1) Tamarack Ranch SWA, Logan Co. (JR).



Cedar Waxwing 1-1 (10) Louviers, Douglas Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
Loggerhead Shrike 1-31 (1) Along Hanover Road, El Paso Co. (JR).  
Common Yellowthroat Apparently all month (1 male)  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile north of Veterans  
Park along the South Platte River, Brighton, Adams Co. (LR, MR and others).  
First reported by the Rowes on January 8 and seen irregularly throughout  
the month. Written documentation submitted (LR, MR).  
Harris' Sparrow 1-21 (1 adult, 1 immature) Sedalia, Douglas Co. (PL, WL, JR).  
Lapland Longspur 1-27 (2) South Republican SWA (JR).  
Common Grackle 1-10 (1) Englewood, Arapahoe Co. (JR).  
Rosy Finch ("Gray-crowned" race) 1-14 (8) & 1-30 (5) Green Lake above  
Georgetown, Clear Creek Co. (AH).  
Pine Siskin 1-30 (12)  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north of Guanella Pass, Clear Creek Co. (AH).  
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Novice birders may attend a beginning bird watching class. Six morning field  
trips begin March 6. There are two evening classes. Instructors are Patty  
Echelmeyer and Walt Bull.

An intermediate birding class will be taught by Hugh and Urling Kingery.  
There are four field trips and an evening class. It is tentatively schedul-  
ed for April 8-29.

DENVER AUDUBON SOCIETY CLASSES (con't)

Reservations and additional information are available from Denver Audubon office, 975 Grant St. (860-1471). Fees are charged for classes.

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

JANUARY 3. PARTICIPATED IN THE URBAN DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT, WASHINGTON PARK AREA, ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2 - COUNT REPORTED ELSEWHERE. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 28.

JANUARY 10. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 38.

Canada Goose-105, Domestic Goose-30, Green-winged Teal-4, Mallard-150, Northern Shoveler-1, American Wigeon-6, Greater Scaup-1, Lesser Scaup-4, Common Goldeneye-2, Red-tailed Hawk (im.)-1, Rough-legged Hawk (dark phase)-2, American Coot-4, Common Snipe-1, Ring-billed Gull-45, Herring Gull-1, Mew Gull-1, Rock Dove-9, Belted Kingfisher-3, Downy Woodpecker-3, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" (one had very yellow shafts - "Yellow-shafted" ?)-5, Black-billed Magpie-7, American Crow-1, Black-capped Chickadee-4, White-breasted Nuthatch-2, Brown Creeper-3, American Robin-1, European Starling-11, American Tree Sparrow-4, Song Sparrow-2, White-crowned Sparrow (one poss. White-throated previously reported in area, but yellow lores not seen)-2, Dark-eyed Junco-4, "Oregon"-1, Red-winged Blackbird-10, House Finch-16, American Goldfinch-2, House Sparrow-6. (35 species, 454 individuals).

JANUARY 17. DENVER CITY PARK. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: .41

Canada Goose-1250, Wood Duck-2, Mallard-170, Northern Pintail-1, American Wigeon-4, Redhead-1, Common Goldeneye-2, Ring-billed Gull-177, Herring Gull-1, Rock Dove-3, Northern Flicker "Red Shafted"-3, Black-billed Magpie-6, American Crow-11, Mountain Chickadee-4, European Starling-325, American Goldfinch-6, House Sparrow-27. (17 species, 1,993 individuals).

JANUARY 24. CENTENNIAL PARK NORTH ALONG SOUTH PLATTE TO VALVERDE PARK. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 21.

Great Blue Heron-1, Black-cr. Night Heron-24, Canada Goose-130, Wood Duck-2, Green-winged Teal-13, Mallard-169, Northern Shoveler-148, Gadwall-120, American Wigeon-144, Common Goldeneye-16, Barrow's Goldeneye-1, Hooded Merganser-4, Merlin-1, American Coot-3, Killdeer-2, Ring-billed Gull-115, Herring Gull-17, Rock Dove-40, Belted Kingfisher-2, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted"-1, Black-billed Magpie-44, American Crow-1, Black-capped Chickadee-1, American Robin-1, European Starling-34. (25 species, 1,034 individuals).

JANUARY 29, SUNDAY. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observer: Else Van Erp.

Canada Goose-123, Northern Harrier-1, Red-tailed Hawk-1, American Kestrel-1, Prairie Falcon-1, Rock Dove-30, Great Horned Owl-2, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted"-2, Black-billed Magpie-4, American Crow-3, Common Raven-1, Black-capped Chickadee-6, European Starling-11, American Tree Sparrow-32, Song Sparrow-8, Dark-eyed Junco-7, Western Meadowlark-9. (17 species, 242 individuals.)

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS" (con't)

JANUARY 31. SOUTH PLATTE RIVER FRONT THEN SOUTH ONE MILE ALONG RIVER.  
ALSO VISITED LITTLETON HISTORICAL MUSEUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell.  
Observers: 28.

Great Blue Heron-1, Canada Goose-262, Wood Duck-3, Green-winged Teal-2, Mallard-415, Gadwall-3, American Wigeon-6, Common Goldeneye-4, Red-tailed Hawk-1, Killdeer-3, Ring-billed Gull-53, Rock Dove-33, Belted Kingfisher-4, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted"-5, Black-billed Magpie-9, American Robin-1, Water Pipit-1, European Starling-20, Dark-eyed Junco-3, Red-winged Blackbird-4, House Finch-4, House Sparrow-13. (22 species, 850 individuals.)

Monna Krebs (compiler)

PURCHASING "A BIRDER'S GUIDE" SERIES OF BOOKS

Be sure and purchase your copies of the "Birder's Guide" series (Lane and Holt) at regular monthly meetings of the Denver Field Ornithologists. Forty percent of all sales made at DFO meetings are turned over to our treasury.

BIRDING AT THE DENVER ZOO

(Mary Patterson)

For the past several years, Mary Patterson, a worker at the feline complex at the Denver Zoo, has been watching birds at the Zoo. In 1987 Mary began keeping a record of the wild, native species seen at the Zoo. "My inspiration was an article by Norman Lavers in 'Bird Watchers Digest' (November 1986). He devised an easy method of keeping a check-list. The check-list enables me to record all the birds I see on a weekly basis. Eventually, as the year progresses, a pattern evolves allowing me to note what birds winter, nest and migrate through the Zoo. Some birds are year-round residents, others are one-time occurrences". So how many birds has Mary recorded during the past two years? Sixty-nine! I asked her to submit a list of the species that she (and some of her co-workers) have observed, and here it is (1987 & 1988):

|                            |                       |                         |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Double-crested Cormorant   | Cooper's Hawk         | Western Wood-Pewee      |
| Great Blue Heron           | Northern Goshawk      | Barn Swallow            |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron  | Red-tailed Hawk       | Blue Jay                |
| Yellow-crowned Night-Heron | American Kestrel      | Black-billed Magpie     |
| Gtr. White-fronted Goose   | American Coot         | American Crow           |
| Snow Goose                 | Killdeer              | Black-capped Chickadee  |
| Canada Goose               | American Avocet       | Mountain Chickadee      |
| Wood Duck                  | Spotted Sandpiper     | White-breasted Nuthatch |
| Green-winged Teal          | Franklin's Gull       | Brown Creeper           |
| Mallard                    | Ring-billed Gull      | Townsend's Solitaire    |
| Northern Pintail           | Herring Gull          | Hermit Thrush           |
| Northern Shoveler          | Rock Dove             | American Robin          |
| American Wigeon            | Mourning Dove         | Cedar Waxwing           |
| Canvasback                 | Great Horned Owl      | European Starling       |
| Redhead                    | Long-eared Owl        | Solitary Vireo          |
| Lesser Scaup               | Common Nighthawk      | Orange-crowned Warbler  |
| Common Goldeneye           | Chimney Swift         | Yellow-rumped Warbler   |
| Hooded Merganser           | Belted Kingfisher     | "Audubon's" race        |
| Common Merganser           | Downy Woodpecker      | Yellow Warbler          |
| Turkey Vulture             | Northern Flicker      | Wilson's Warbler        |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk         | "Red-shafted" race    | Western Tanager         |
|                            | "Yellow-shafted" race |                         |



BIRDING AT THE DENVER ZOO (con't)

White-throated Sparrow  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Dark-eyed Junco  
    "Oregon" race  
    "Gray-headed" race  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Brewer's Blackbird  
Common Grackle  
House Finch  
House Sparrow

You, too, can increase your enjoyment of watching birds. Try keeping a list of birds, as Mary does, for your yard, neighborhood, a park near your home, your place of work (if appropriate). You'll be surprised at what you will find and what patterns evolve. As Mary told me, "the next time you see that sparrow or starling, take a second look. It might not be what you think".

MORE ON THE DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

Some interest and discussion was generated over the results of the "Jefferson County, Colo." Christmas Bird Count for 1938 that was published in last month's issue of the Lark Bunting. Randy Lentz pointed out that he had researched the question of 12 Purple Finches reported on the Count, but not one Cassin's Finch (Purple Finches are extremely rare in winter anywhere in Colorado while Cassin's Finches are resident birds in the foothills and mountains). As a result, Randy went to a copy of an old bird book, Handbook of Birds of the Western United States, (1924), by Florence Merriam Bailey (no relation to Dr. Alfred M. Bailey) which he had in his possession. Sure enough! On page 311 reference is made to the CASSIN PURPLE FINCH (Carpodacus cassinii) which may account for the listing of the Purple Finch in the 1938 CBC. The Check-List of North American Birds (Fourth Edition-1935) published by the American Ornithologists' Union also lists this species as Cassin's Purple Finch. The foregoing prompted your Editor to look into the question of the different juncos also reported on this CBC of 50 years ago. Back in those days, the Oregon Junco was separate and distinct species with numerous subspecies of its own and the local race was called "Shufeldt's Junco" (Junco oreganus shufeldti). The Montana Junco, prior to 1935, was a separate and distinct species (Junco montanus) which apparently looked a whole lot like the Oregon Junco because in the 1935 A.O.U. Check-List it became a subspecies (Junco oreganus montanus). Somehow, these two birds were able to be told apart from one another in the field (I guess). In 1935, the Pink-sided Junco was considered a separate and distinct species also (Junco mearnsi) sometimes known as "Mearn's Junco". Along the way, it too, was lumped in with the Oregon Junco. Today, sharp-eyed observers can separate typical "Pink-sided" types in the field with some degree of accuracy. The whole question of juncos is a moot point today since all North American juncos (except for the Yellow-eyed Junco) are now considered one species-Dark-eyed Junco (Junco hyemalis). So why worry?

On page 55 of last month's Lark Bunting, several errors were discovered on the summary of "DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS - 1954 THROUGH 1988". The number of individuals counted in 1965 should have read 10948 not 10984. The number of species and number of individuals reported for years 1968, 1969 and 1970 included the Rock Dove. This species was not officially countable on CBC's until 1973. Therefore, the correct numbers for these years should be: 1968 (92 species, 13427 individuals), 1969 (91 species, 12150 individuals) and 1970 (99 species, 14458 individuals). Also, the number of observers for 1968 should read 54, not 56.

The single Brown Thrasher reported on this past year's Count also tied it with 8 previous years in the "highest number counted" category and should have been mentioned on page 54.

Finally, your Editor is relinquishing his role as compiler of the Denver CBC. After 10 years of coordinating and compiling this Count, it is time for a change. Anyone interested in assuming these duties, please contact Hugh Kingery (333-0161).



DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 1989

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INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS:

1. Compile a summary of your Field Trip in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order showing the total number of birds observed for each species and mail it immediately after the Field Trip to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street, Englewood, Colorado 80111. PLEASE NOTE: Submitting Field Trip summaries in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order saves the Editor considerable time and trouble since his worksheets are laid out in this manner. There are several Field Check-Lists currently in circulation that are badly out-of-date and/or unsuitable for use by the Editor. Field Trip Leaders are urged to use the Check-List that appeared in the July 1988 issue of the Lark Bunting (Vol. 23, No. 10) or follow its format to compile and submit results of their Field Trips.
2. Along with your summary, submit a list in alphabetical order of the names of all observers participating in the Field Trip, a note on weather and wind conditions, temperature, miles covered by car and on foot and duration of the trip.
3. Include any observations of recognizable "color morphs" (e.g., Snow Goose-"White" morph vs. "Blue" morph) and/or subspecies (e.g., Northern Oriole-"Baltimore" race vs. "Bullock's" race) with your summary.
4. On Field Trips where more than one life zone is visited, please submit individual totals of species and numbers for each species found in each life zone (e.g., Plains, Foothills, Mountains, Alpine).
5. Individual Field Trips are acceptable and will be published along with the results of regularly scheduled DFO Field Trips depending upon space and interest.
6. Deadline for receipt of all Field Trip Reports is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the monthly summaries.
7. Please notify the Editor (Jack Reddall - Tel. 771-5308) if a Field Trip is cancelled for any reason.

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PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.  
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- MARCH
- 4, Saturday. LOWER DEER CREEK AND WATERTON AREA. Leaders: Betty and Harold Oliver (936-6902). Meet at 8:00 A.M. at "Park-and-Ride" on South Wadsworth Blvd. just south of U.S. Hwy. 285 (Hampden Avenue).\*
  - 5, Sunday. BEAR CREEK, PLAINS TO FOOTHILLS. Leader: Cal Wichern (693-3718). Meet at 8:00 A.M. at Bear Valley Shopping Center at South Sheridan Blvd. and U.S. Hwy. 285 (Hampden Avenue) in the southwest section near the Burlington Coat Factory. \*
  - 11, Saturday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Jeane and Glenn Hageman (322-6589). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the Nature Center at Barr Lake State Park. Lunch optional.
  - 12, Sunday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Alan Hay (422-0239). Meet at 8:00 A.M. at Prospect Park, West 44th Avenue near Robb Street. Lunch optional.
  - 18, Saturday. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Irv Jackson (233-2171). Meet at 7:45 A.M. at the "Park-and-Ride" on South Wadsworth Blvd. just south of U.S. Hwy. 285 (Hampden Avenue) or at west gate to the Chatfield SRA. \*

- MARCH 19, Sunday. CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the west gate to Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA \*
- 25, Saturday. CHEROKEE RANCH & DANIELS PARK. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the parking lot at South Broadway and County Line Road (by Albertson's). \*
- 26, Sunday. BOULDER AREA. Leader: Alex Cruz (776-8989). Meet at 7:15 A.M. at the Wheat Ridge Methodist Church at West 38th Avenue and Wadsworth Blvd. Park on the street east of the parking lot, south of the church OR meet at 8:00 A.M. at the Basemar Shopping Center at the southeast corner of Baseline Road and Broadway (Colo. Hwy. 93) in Boulder. \*

\*-BRING LUNCH

Submitted by: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

Field Trip Coordinators

MARCH 18-19, Saturday and Sunday. MONTE VISTA CRANE FESTIVAL. Details in January Lark Bunting.

TUESDAY BIRDERS. You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

PROPOSED DFO FIELD TRIP (SOUTH PLATTE TO WATERTON).

The DFO Field Trip Coordinators are considering scheduling a walking field trip in April, commencing at South Platte (site of the old hotel at the convergence of the North and South Forks of the South Platte River and proposed site of the Two Forks Dam) and proceeding down the South Platte River Canyon to Waterton, a distance of about 17 miles. Before scheduling such an undertaking, the Field Trip Coordinators would like to determine if there is enough interest. If you would be interested in such a venture, please call Ruth Breckon by February 26th (455-0970).

APRIL AND MAY WEEKEND FIELD TRIPS

Be on the lookout for announcements concerning upcoming weekend Field Trips in April and May as follows:

GREATER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN TRIP TO WRAY, COLORADO: April, dates to be determined. Leader: Jack Reddall.

CHEYENNE BOTTOMS STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA/QUIVIRA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE: May 5-8. Leader: Bob Righter.

GRAND MESA/COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT AND GRAND JUNCTION AREA: May 27-29. Leader: Jack Reddall.

## DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS -- Membership Information

### WELCOME to the D.F.O.

**PURPOSE:** The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December), 7:30 p.m. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on Rare Bird Alert 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.

**FIELD TRIPS:** These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.

**BULLETIN:** A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 1989

PROGRAM: An Illustrated Report on the Current Status of the Colorado Bird Observatory presented by Michael Carter, Director.

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In response to the widespread interest generated at the monthly DFO meeting on March 1, Harold Holt's "MIGRATION CALENDAR OF BIRDS OF THE PLAINS - DENVER AREA - NORTH AND EAST" is reprinted in its entirety as a Supplement to this month's Lark Bunting.

FEBRUARY 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

FEBRUARY 4, Saturday. Sedalia, Plum Creek & Castlewood Canyon State Park.  
Leader: Ben Moore. Trip cancelled due to sub-zero weather.  
5, Sunday. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt. Leader: Norm Erthal. Trip cancelled due to sub-zero weather.

- BRUARY 7, Tuesday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to Hudson, Kersey, Briggsdale, Grover, Buckingham, Weldona & Muir Springs Park; Jackson Reservoir, Orchard; Morgan Co. Rds. U, 3, B; Weld Co. Rds. 4&81 (NECOL). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear, hazy; Wind SW 5-10 MPH; minus 10° to plus 22°). 306 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 10 hours birding. (41 species, 17,069 individuals).
- 11, Saturday. Bird Feeders: Littleton, Deer Creek & Turkey Creek (FEED). Leader: Bob Spencer. Observers: Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Alan & Dee Hay, Hazel Kellogg, Thompson Marsh, Jack Reddall, Claude Vallieres, Virgil Williams, Mary Carol Wonichi. (Partly cloudy to cloudy; Wind, mostly calm; 22°-32°). 45 miles by car, .5 mile on foot. 7 hours birding. (34 species, 514 individuals).
- 12, Sunday. Barr Lake State Park west to the South Platte River (BARR). Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe. Observer: Eleanor White. (Heavy fog, becoming cloudy; Wind, W 0-5 MPH; 20°-36°). 40 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 4 hours birding. (32 species, 2430 individuals).
- 12, Sunday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to Hamilton Reservoir, Wellington, Nunn, Grover, Buckingham, Weldona & Muir Springs Park (NECO). Observers: Wade Leitner, Jack Reddall. (Dense fog becoming partly cloudy; Wind, variable 0-5 MPH; 29°-47°). 380 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 12 hours birding. (51 species, 9716 individuals).
- 18, Saturday. Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA). Leaders: Ed Holub (DFO) & Pete Gober (USFWS). Observers: Roy & Cleta Abbott, Paul Barrett, Virginia Bleck, Ruth Breckon, Cindy Broekemeier, Merlynn Brown, Jack Brozua, Nathan Burns, Judy Capra, Patty Echelmeyer, Jim & Barbara Fay, Lisa Hardy, Alan & Dee Hay, Kathy Holt, Jill Knaak, Harold & Clara Knott, Don & Diana Mullineaux, Tom Noel, Bob Podolak, Dick Pratt, Jerry & Arlene Raskin, Sharon Rose, Jean Settles, Janet Shin, Vito Tursi, Claude Vallieres, Joan VanLoan. (Mostly cloudy; Wind, NW 0-5 MPH; 20°-35°). 15 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6.25 hours birding. (28 species, 409 individuals).
- 19, Sunday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCK). Leader: Floyd Pendell. Observer: Lisa Hardy. (Fog becoming partly cloudy; Wind, calm; 26°-40°). 10 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (24 species, 1254 individuals).
- 25, Saturday. Denver to Fort Collins (City Park & Grandview Cemetery), Wellington, Hamilton Reservoir and return to Denver (FCHR). Leader: Dr. Ronald A. Ryder. Observers: 38. (Partly cloudy; Wind, W 10-30 MPH; 35°-65°). 220 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 10 hours birding. (52 species, 11,075 individuals).
- 26, Sunday. Red Rocks Park (RRP). Leader: Warren Finch. Observers: Jessie & Walt Bowles, Ruth Bull, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Dick Pratt, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Ira Sanders, Mort Staatz, Joan VanLoan. (Cloudy with rain and snow developing late P.M.; Wind, 5-25 MPH; 35°-40°). Zero miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 4 hours birding. (14 species, 104 individuals).
- 27, Monday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCRA). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy becoming overcast in P.M.; Wind, E 10-20 MPH; 30°-47°). 32 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 8.5 hours birding. (41 species, 4249 individuals).

FEBRUARY 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

The Denver Field Ornithologists scheduled eight field trips for February. However, two of these had to be scratched due to the extreme sub-zero temperatures on the 4th and 5th. The remaining six trips plus three individual field trips accounted for a meager 84 species found during the month, not too surprising when one considers the fact that this past February was the fourth coldest on record since Denver began keeping records. Almost all open water froze up scattering water fowl who knows where?

Northern winter visitors, usually present in eastern Colorado during most years, continue to be absent this season, even after the severe cold snap experienced during the first week of the month. Absent species include Glaucous Gull, Bohemian Waxwing, Lapland Longspur (only a few), Snow Bunting and Common Redpoll. Likewise, many of the usually expected montane "seed-eaters" have failed to appear along the Front Range in any significant numbers this year. Individual reports tend to substantiate the existence of a "super" cone crop at the higher mountain elevations which probably accounts for the absence of these montane birds along the Front Range. Missing or rare species include Red-breasted Nuthatch, Rosy Finch, Cassin's Finch, Red Crossbill, Pine Siskin and Evening Grosbeak. Also seldom seen are Northern Goshawk and Golden-crowned Kinglet.

Horned Grebes and Western Grebes continue to winter at Hamilton Reservoir (Rawhide Power Plant) in northeastern Larimer County (about the only place with open water in eastern Colorado). Three Horned Grebes were observed on the 12th and ten were counted there on the 25th. Likewise, eight Westerns were seen on February 12 and ten again on the 25th. Two Mute Swans have been present at Hamilton Reservoir for the past two months and were seen on February 12 and 25. Although surviving in the wild, these swans are considered to be escapes, probably from the Fort Collins area. The Mute Swan is not considered established and feral in Colorado and therefore is not included currently on the state's list of birds. Cinnamon Teal returned at the end of the month right on schedule with two reported at Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA on the 19th. A total of 19 different species of ducks were found during the month including two unusual ones at Hamilton Reservoir: an Oldsquaw on the 12th (present during January also) and a White-winged Scoter on the 25th (present all winter at this site). Spring migration of water fowl has begun in earnest heralded by 2000 Redheads at Hamilton Reservoir on the 25th and another 450 at Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA on February 27. Northern Pintails are also moving northward with 400 spotted on the 25th at Hamilton Reservoir and 200 at Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA two days later. These two duck species are generally the first ones to appear in spring migration in eastern Colorado.

Three separate "Richardson's" race of the Merlin were seen along Weld County Road 4 about 5-8 miles east of the intersection with Weld Co. Rd. 73 on February 7. Also seen on February 7 were three Northern Bobwhites at the intersection of Morgan County Roads 6 & AA. While California Gulls have not returned to Colorado yet, one adult and two immatures were observed at Hamilton Reservoir on the 12th but not seen on the 25th. Occasional wintering California Gulls are encountered on the eastern plains each winter. Hundreds of gulls were attracted to the open water hole at Cherry Creek Reservoir during the month (Herring and Ring-billed) with the only notable find being one adult and three first winter immature Thayer's Gulls on the 27th.

A male Red-bellied Woodpecker has wintered at Muir Springs Park near Fort Morgan and was observed on the 12th. This is a very active and noisy bird! The male Yellow-bellied Sapsucker present for the second winter in a row at the Grandview Cemetery in Fort Collins delighted some 25 observers on the February 25 field trip. The season's first Mountain Bluebird appeared at Hamilton Reservoir on February 25, but unfortunately not everyone on the field trip was able to see it. Probably the best bird of the month was a



single Golden-crowned Sparrow found by Wade Leitner in with a large number of White-crowned Sparrows at Muir Springs Park on February 12.

Let's hope that March produces more excitement than what we have experienced during January and February!

| FEBRUARY 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 7<br>NECOL<br>PLAIN | 11<br>FEED<br>PLFH | 12<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 12<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 18<br>RMA<br>PLN | 19<br>CCK<br>PLN | 25<br>FCHR<br>PLNS | 26<br>RRP<br>FHL | 27<br>CCRA<br>PLNS |
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| Pied-billed Grebe                                   |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 2                  |                  |                    |
| Horned Grebe                                        |                     |                    |                    | 3                  |                  |                  | 10                 |                  |                    |
| Western Grebe                                       |                     |                    |                    | 8                  |                  |                  | 10                 |                  |                    |
| Great Blue Heron                                    | 1                   | 1                  |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| (Mute Swan)-escape                                  |                     |                    |                    | (2)                |                  |                  | (2)                |                  |                    |
| Canada Goose                                        | 1500                | 51                 | 1150               | 1950               | 5                | 150              | 2000               |                  | 130                |
| Green-winged Teal                                   | 4                   |                    |                    | 1ma                | 3                | 24               | 3                  |                  | 50                 |
| Mallard                                             | 200                 | 38                 | 118                | 1000               |                  | 75               | 850                |                  | 100                |
| Northern Pintail                                    | 1ma                 |                    |                    | 15                 |                  |                  | 400                |                  | 200                |
| Cinnamon Teal                                       |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  | 2                |                    |                  | 3m1f               |
| Northern Shoveler                                   |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 450                |                  | 1fe                |
| Gadwall                                             |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 580                |                  | 45                 |
| American Wigeon                                     | 1m1f                |                    |                    | 10                 |                  |                  | 240                |                  | 2m2f               |
| Canvasback                                          |                     |                    |                    | 35                 |                  |                  | 75                 |                  | 1ma                |
| Redhead                                             |                     |                    | 3                  |                    |                  |                  | 2000               |                  | 450                |
| Ring-necked Duck                                    |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 20                 |                  |                    |
| Lesser Scaup                                        |                     |                    |                    | 70                 |                  |                  | 600                |                  | 40                 |
| Oldsquaw                                            |                     |                    |                    | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| White-winged Scoter                                 |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |
| Common Goldeneye                                    |                     |                    |                    | 300                |                  | 125              | 150                |                  | 350                |
| Bufflehead                                          |                     |                    |                    | 250                |                  |                  | 600                |                  |                    |
| Hooded Merganser                                    |                     |                    |                    | 1ma                |                  |                  | 2m3f               |                  |                    |
| Common Merganser                                    |                     |                    |                    | 1000               |                  | 400              | 1500               |                  | 1500               |
| Red-breasted Merganser                              |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  | 2                |                    |                  | 7m2f               |
| Ruddy Duck                                          |                     |                    |                    | 4                  |                  |                  | 30                 |                  |                    |
| Bald Eagle                                          | 5a4i                | 1a                 | 2                  | 1a1i               | 5                |                  | 4                  |                  | 1ad                |
| Northern Harrier                                    | 1m5f                |                    | 3                  | 6ma                | 3                | 6                | 1fe                |                  | 1m2f               |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                                  | 1                   |                    |                    | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                     |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  | 4                |                    |                  |                    |
| "Western" race                                      | 12                  | 4                  | 4                  | 13                 | 2                |                  | 3                  |                  | 3                  |
| "Harlan's" race                                     |                     |                    | 1                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                    | 2                   | 2                  | 5                  | 2                  | 15               |                  | 2                  |                  | 1                  |
| Rough-legged Hawk                                   | 30                  |                    | 3                  | 26                 | 6                | 1                | 4                  |                  |                    |
| Buteo species                                       |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  | 2                |                    |                  |                    |
| Golden Eagle                                        | 3                   | 2a1i               |                    | 3                  | 1                |                  | 1a1i               |                  |                    |
| American Kestrel                                    | 7                   | 3                  |                    | 9                  |                  |                  | 10                 |                  | 1                  |
| Merlin                                              |                     |                    |                    |                    | 1                |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Richardson's" race                                 | 3                   |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Prairie Falcon                                      | 5                   |                    | 1                  | 2                  |                  |                  | 1                  |                  | 1                  |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                                | 8                   |                    |                    | 1fe                | 6                | 1                |                    |                  | 4m1f               |
| Northern Bobwhite                                   | 3                   |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Virginia Rail                                       |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  | 1-H                |
| American Coot                                       |                     |                    |                    | 500                | 3                |                  | 800                |                  |                    |
| Killdeer                                            | 1                   |                    | 1                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Common Snipe                                        | 1                   |                    | 1                  | 2                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Ring-billed Gull                                    |                     |                    | 4                  | 10                 | 21               | 250              | 30                 |                  | 800                |
| California Gull                                     |                     |                    |                    | 1a2i               |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Herring Gull                                        |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  | 2                | 4                  |                  | 200                |

| FEBRUARY 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 7<br>NECOL<br>PLAIN | 11<br>FEED<br>PLFH | 12<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 12<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 18<br>RMA<br>PLN | 19<br>CCK<br>PLN | 25<br>FCHR<br>PLNS | 26<br>RRP<br>FHL | 27<br>CCRA<br>PLNS |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Thayer's Gull                                       |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  | 1a3i               |
| Rock Dove                                           | 10                  | 48                 | 31                 | 17                 | 16               |                  | 130                | 10               |                    |
| Great Horned Owl                                    |                     | 1                  |                    | 2                  | 5                | 1                |                    | 1N               | 2                  |
| Belted Kingfisher                                   | 2                   | 1ma                | 1                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Red-bellied Woodpecker                              |                     |                    |                    | 1ma                |                  |                  | 1ma                |                  |                    |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsucker                            |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Downy Woodpecker                                    |                     | 2                  | 3                  |                    | 2                |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Eastern" races                                     | 1ma                 |                    |                    | 1                  |                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |
| Hairy Woodpecker                                    |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Rocky Mountain" race                               |                     | 1ma                |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Eastern" races                                     |                     |                    |                    | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Northern Flicker                                    | 15                  |                    | 4                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Red-shafted" race                                  |                     | 2                  |                    | 12                 | 1                | 3                | 2                  | 3                | 10                 |
| Horned Lark                                         | 12000               |                    | 83                 | 3500               | 4                |                  | 200                |                  |                    |
| Steller's Jay                                       |                     | 11                 |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 2                |                    |
| Blue Jay                                            | 5                   | 9                  | 2                  | 7                  |                  |                  | 2                  |                  |                    |
| Scrub Jay                                           |                     | 14                 |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 12               |                    |
| Black-billed Magpie                                 | 60                  | 13                 | 54                 | 20                 | 49               | 20               | 6                  | 3                | 70                 |
| American Crow                                       | 2                   | 2                  | 1                  |                    |                  |                  | 35                 |                  |                    |
| Common Raven                                        |                     | 5                  |                    |                    |                  |                  | 1                  | 2                |                    |
| Black-capped Chickadee                              | 6                   | 28                 | 1                  | 5                  | 5                | 6                | 4                  | 5                | 3                  |
| Mountain Chickadee                                  |                     | 25                 |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch                             |                     | 3                  |                    |                    |                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |
| Brown Creeper                                       |                     |                    |                    |                    | 4                | 1                | 1                  |                  |                    |
| Canyon Wren                                         |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 2                |                    |
| Marsh Wren                                          |                     |                    |                    | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |
| Mountain Bluebird                                   |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |
| Townsend's Solitaire                                |                     | 1                  |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 4                |                    |
| American Robin                                      | 5                   | 6                  | 3                  | 5                  | 1                | 35               | 5                  | 2                | 10                 |
| Water Pipit                                         |                     |                    | 1                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Northern Shrike                                     | 5                   |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| European Starling                                   | 800                 | 85                 | 730                | 300                | 6                | 86               | 190                | 1                | 135                |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                                 |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Spotted" race                                      |                     | 2ma                |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| American Tree Sparrow                               | 130                 |                    |                    | 30                 | 38               | 5                |                    |                  | 9                  |
| Song Sparrow                                        | 13                  | 2                  | 3                  | 10                 | 7                |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |
| Golden-crowned Sparrow                              |                     |                    |                    | 1im                |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| White-crowned Sparrow                               |                     |                    | 7                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| "Gambel's" race                                     | 30                  |                    |                    | 70                 |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                     |                     |                    |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 15               |                    |
| "White-winged" race                                 |                     | 2                  |                    |                    |                  |                  |                    | 5                |                    |
| "Slate-colored" race                                | 1                   | 2                  | 2                  |                    |                  | 2                |                    | 15               |                    |
| "Oregon" race                                       | 25                  | 16                 | 2                  | 6                  | 8                | 9                | 3                  | 15               | 13                 |
| "Gray-headed" race                                  |                     | 14                 | 1                  |                    |                  |                  |                    | 5                |                    |
| Red-winged Blackbird                                | 2000                | 32                 | 10                 | 410                |                  | 40               | 60                 |                  | 75                 |
| Western Meadowlark                                  | 40                  |                    | 4                  | 8                  | 2                | 2                | 3                  |                  | 6                  |
| Brewer's Blackbird                                  |                     |                    | 3                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                    |
| House Finch                                         | 15                  | 32                 | 13                 |                    | 150              |                  | 15                 | 2                | 6                  |
| Pine Siskin                                         |                     | 7                  |                    |                    |                  |                  | 2                  |                  |                    |
| American Goldfinch                                  | 5                   | 2                  |                    | 15                 | 40               |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |
| House Sparrow                                       | 100                 | 43                 | 175                | 65                 |                  |                  | 25                 |                  | 1                  |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 84                                  | 41                  | 34                 | 32                 | 51                 | 28               | 24               | 52                 | 14               | 41                 |

ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i;  
Heard Only=H; Nesting Observed=N; Plains=PLAIN,  
PLNS, PLN, PL; Foothills=FHL, FH.

ADDITIONAL FEBRUARY 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING "ADDITIONAL REPORTS":

1. Individual "Additional Reports" of interesting sightings made during the month are welcomed. However, the Editor reserves the right to publish only those reports that are deemed as unusual/rare or as augmenting the reports submitted by field trip Leaders from scheduled Denver Field Ornithologists' field trips. Sightings reported to the Colorado Bird Report will not be published in the Lark Bunting unless reported to the Editor in writing as stipulated below.
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3. Deadline for receipt of all individual "Additional Reports" is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the current month.
4. Send your "Additional Reports" to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street, Englewood, Colorado 80111.

Merlin 2-19 (1) 869 Milwaukee, Denver, Denver County (HK); 2-22 (1-"Richardson's" race) along Weld County Road 4, five miles east of intersection with Weld Co. Rd. 73 (JR).  
Thayer's Gull 2-14 (1, first winter immature) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (JR)  
Mourning Dove 2-22 (24) Chambers Road & Sand Creek, Aurora, Adams County (HK, UK).  
Eastern Screech-Owl 2-6 (1) 300 Humboldt, Denver where it was found roosting under the eaves of the house (DD, HK).  
Marsh Wren All month (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe County (JR).  
Golden-crowned Kinglet 2-18 (1) Loveland Pass, Clear Creek County (HK).  
Harris' Sparrow All month (1 adult) 6355 West Ohio Avenue, Lakewood, Jefferson Co. (PG, DO); 2-22 (1) Chambers Rd. and Sand Creek, Aurora (HK, UK).  
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch 2-8 (15, "Black" race) Red Rocks Park, Jefferson Co. (JR).  
Pine Grosbeak 2-18 (55) Loveland Pass (HK, UK).  
Pine Siskin 2-18 (26) Loveland Pass (HK, UK).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTICES

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Be sure and purchase your copies of the "Birder's Guide" series (Lane and Holt) at regular monthly meetings of the Denver Field Ornithologists. Forty percent of all sales made at DFO meetings are turned over to our treasury.



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CAROLINA WREN NESTING IN COLORADO?

Lois Webster remembers seeing a Carolina Wren at Bonny Reservoir about 20 years ago. She also recalls talk to the effect that a pair nested there that year. The Lark Bunting and its predecessor publication, Colorado Bird Notes, do not mention any report of nesting Carolina Wrens in Colorado. If anyone has any details or verification of this possible nesting record, please contact Hugh Kingery by telephone or letter.

Hugh Kingery - 869 Milwaukee Street, Denver, Colorado 80206  
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NORTHERN BOBWHITE AT THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL

If you have any details or information surrounding the existence of the small numbers of Northern Bobwhite on the Rocky Mountain Arsenal grounds, please contact Hugh Kingery (Tel. 333-0161).

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FLORIDA AUDUBON PROGRAM FOR INJURED RAPTORS

For a program to rehabilitate and care for injured and orphaned birds of prey, collect cancelled foreign and United States commemorative postage stamps, undamaged duck and conservation stamps and old and foreign picture postal cards. For information about this Florida Audubon program, call Patty Echelmeyer (233-4947) who delivers these items personally.

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FIELD TRIP LEADERS NEEDED

If you would like to lead a field trip for the Denver Field Ornithologists, please contact either Ruth Breckon (455-0970) or Ruth Wheeler (455-3924).

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COLORADO BIRD ORNITHOLOGISTS

## FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS NEEDED

The Colorado Bird Observatory is recruiting volunteers for two projects. The first is an inventory of historical and confirmed breeding areas for the Least Tern, *Sterna antillarum*. This project is financially sponsored by the Nongame and Endangered Species Program of the Colorado Division of Wildlife, which will allow the observatory to pay your mileage at 20 cents/mile. The work will involve visiting potential breeding areas in northeastern and southeastern Colorado during the months of May, June, July, and August. During your visits to area reservoirs, you will spend most of your time looking for Least Terns and mapping locations of sightings and nesting areas. We are also interested in information on other species nesting in the area, and your work may also benefit the Colorado Breeding Bird Atlas.

As a project participant you will be asked to keep detailed records, attend a short orientation session, and pay for other expenses you may incur. You should also have good birding skills, especially with terns and shorebirds. The Observatory will be able to loan you a good quality spotting scope for your trip to one of the survey areas.

Second, the Observatory is recruiting people interested in becoming bird banders. Currently, CBO operates banding stations at Barr Lake and at the Alfred M. Bailey Bird Nesting Area. However, there are plans to open other stations and banders will be needed for future studies. Beginning banders will be trained in a one day session held at the Denver Museum of Natural History on either April 7th or 8th, your choice. There is a \$10.00 registration fee for the workshop and banders will be expected to help man CBO banding stations over the next year. At the workshop, techniques necessary to conduct banding work will be taught, including: age/sex determination, molt patterns, mist net use, taking measurements, and collecting and recording data.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Least Tern project or work as a bird bander for the Colorado Bird Observatory, please send your name, address, and phone number to 13401 Piccadilly, Brighton, CO 80601. Please state which project interests you. We will then send you more information.



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# COLORADO BIRD OBSERVATORY

IDENTIFIABLE SUBSPECIES AND COLOR MORPHS - NUMBER 4.

CANADA GOOSE (Branta canadensis)

During the winter months most Colorado birdwatchers have experienced the thrill of observing long lines of Canada Geese flying hither and yon over our vast eastern high plains as well as around our front range metropolitan cities. And it doesn't take a well-trained eye to pick out the obvious differences in sizes of the various birds making up any given flock as they sail by. Questions often arise as to which race is this or which race is that due to the wide variances in sizes. A brief discussion addressing these points follows.

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TAXONOMIC STATUS & DISTRIBUTION: Branta canadensis is a variable species with a wide breeding range extending from the Arctic coast of Alaska and northern Canada eastward to Baffin Island, western Greenland and Labrador south to the Aleutians, central California, northern Utah, southern Kansas, northern Arkansas, western Tennessee, western Kentucky, central Ohio, southern Ontario, southern Quebec and Newfoundland southward along the Atlantic coast from Maine probably to the mid-Atlantic states.

This species winters from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, the Great Lakes area to the Atlantic coast of Newfoundland southward over most of the continental United States.

From ten to twelve different races of Canada Geese have been described scientifically depending upon which authority you prefer. Seven of these races have occurred in Colorado represented by specimens in the avian collections of the Denver Museum of Natural History.

LARGE SIZE RACE

"Greater" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis maxima)

MEDIUM SIZE RACES

"Moffitt's" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis moffitti)

"Lesser" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis parvipes)\*

"Interior" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis interior)

SMALL SIZE RACES

"Taverner's" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis taverneri)

"Hutchins'" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis hutchinsii)#

"Cackling" Canada Goose (Branta canadensis minima)

\*-Not to be confused with (Branta canadensis leucopareia) an endangered Aleutian subspecies which some authors refer to as the "Lesser" race.

#-Also known as "Richardson's" race.

STATUS IN COLORADO:

"GREATER" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. maxima)

This race was thought to be extinct at one point in time (see The A.O.U. Check-List of North American Birds, Fifth Edition, 1957, page 61). However, breeding birds were observed and collected by Dr. Harold C. Hanson in 1963 from the Denver and Fort Collins areas providing conclusive evidence of their continued existence. Today, fairly good numbers of these "giant" Canadas can easily be observed at suitable locations in and around the Denver Metropolitan area throughout the year where they enjoy resident status. Try the BowMar area of southwest Denver if you want to see some easily. An interesting account of the struggles of this race is presented in The Birds of Colorado, Bailey and Niedrach, 1965, pages 131-135.



"MOFFITT'S" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. moffitti)

This medium-sized race breeds locally west of the Continental Divide in northwestern Colorado (primarily in Moffat County) where their numbers appear to be dwindling. This small breeding population in Colorado probably migrates to southern California to winter. The remaining population of this race breeds in northwestern United States and the Canadian Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and southwestern Manitoba. Good numbers of this population winter at the reservoirs on both the eastern high plains and western slope where they mingle with the abundant "Lesser" Canada Goose (eastern high plains).

"LESSER" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. parvipes)

This medium-sized subspecies, known to Colorado goose hunters as "Lessers", is an abundant winter visitor to the reservoirs of the eastern high plains. It generally arrives in the state slightly ahead of the migrating "Moffitt's" race from which it cannot be safely distinguished in the field. The majority of the geese taken by eastern Colorado goose hunters belong the "parvipes" race.

"INTERIOR" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. interior)

This is another intermediate sized race which is an occasional to rare winter visitor on the eastern high plains. It cannot be safely separated in the field from the "Moffitt's" and "Lesser" races.

Occasionally geese smaller than the abundant "Lesser" Canada Goose (B. c. parvipes) are found associating regularly in winter with the vast numbers of the larger races on the eastern high plains of Colorado: "Taverner's" Canada Goose (B. c. taverneri) which breeds across the vast tundra from Barrow, Alaska eastward to the Mackenzie River and beyond; "Hutchins'" Canada Goose (B. c. hutchinsii) which breeds along the northeastern coast of Canada and adjacent islands with the main population centered on the Melville Peninsula; "Cackling" Canada Goose (B. c. minima) which breeds across northern Alaska and extreme northern Yukon south to Bristol Bay, the Alaska Peninsula and southern Alaska.

"TAVERNER'S" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. taverneri)

A questionable subspecies according to some authors and not recognized by the A.O.U. Check-List Committee. However, there are at least twelve specimens in the Denver Museum of Natural History which Bailey and Niedrach (1965) chose to classify as this race. This small race migrates to eastern Colorado sporadically where it mingles with other subspecies previously mentioned. It can not be safely differentiated in the field from the very similar Hutchins' race. Overlaps in size also can occur with the "Lesser" and "Interior" races.

"HUTCHINS'" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. hutchinsii)

This small race also known as "Richardson's" Canada Goose is an uncommon winter visitor on the eastern high plains where it can not be safely separated in the field from the far rarer "Taverner's" race.

"CAKCLING" CANADA GOOSE (B. c. minima)

This is the smallest race of the Canada Goose being about the size of a Mallard. It is very dark cinnamon brown below with a tiny bill. There is but one specimen in the Denver Museum of Natural History from Colorado. However, this subspecies should be looked for among the great numbers of wintering flocks of Canada Geese at the reservoirs on the eastern high plains as it should be readily identifiable under ideal conditions due to its small size and very dark underparts.



|                                                                                             | SUBSPECIES                             | AVERAGE          |                  | RECOGNITION                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | COMMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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|                                                                                             |                                        | LENGTH<br>INCHES | WEIGHT<br>POUNDS |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| L<br>A<br>R<br>G<br>E                                                                       | "GREATER"<br><u>B. c. maxima</u>       | 38-46            | 12-18            | Largest Colorado race, very elongated body, considerably larger neck, bill and tarsus than any other subspecies. Sometimes shows a <u>white ring</u> at base of neck and a <u>white spot</u> on front of the head.             | <u>Typical individuals</u> can be safely told from all other Colorado races based upon <u>size</u> alone. CAUTION: There are overlaps in size with the "Moffitt's" race                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| M<br>E<br>D<br>I<br>U<br>M<br>/<br>I<br>N<br>T<br>E<br>R<br>M<br>E<br>D<br>I<br>A<br>T<br>E | "MOFFITT'S"<br><u>B. c. moffitti</u>   | 35-43            | 6-13             | Plumage is very similar to "Greater". Typical individuals average smaller.                                                                                                                                                     | See comments above. This is the <u>only breeding race west</u> of the Continental Divide in Colorado. Can <u>not</u> be safely separated in the field in winter on eastern high plains from other medium-sized races even though it averages slightly larger. <u>Very large</u> geese in winter <u>away from the Front Range probably</u> are of this race. But caution is the rule here. |
|                                                                                             | "LESSER"<br><u>B. c. parvipes</u>      | 25-30            | 5-8              | <u>Very similar</u> to "Moffitt's" race in shape and plumage.                                                                                                                                                                  | <u>Not safely separable</u> in the field in winter on eastern high plains from "Moffitt's" and "Interior" races. However, this is the most numerous wintering Canada Goose in winter in the eastern part of the state.                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                                                                             | "INTERIOR"<br><u>B. c. interior</u>    | 25-30            | 6-8              | Averages <u>slightly larger</u> and is <u>darker</u> and <u>browner below</u> than the "Lesser" race while averaging <u>smaller</u> than the "Moffitt's" race.                                                                 | <u>Not safely separable</u> in the field in winter on eastern high plains from "Moffitt's" and "Lesser" races.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| S<br>M<br>A<br>L<br>L                                                                       | "TAVERNER'S"<br><u>B. c. taverneri</u> | 25-28            | 3-6              | Very similar to "Lesser" race but averages <u>smaller</u> and <u>browner below</u> . <u>Larger</u> and <u>much lighter</u> below than "Cackling" race. <u>Browner</u> below and <u>averaging larger</u> than "Hutchins'" race. | <u>Not safely separable</u> in the field in winter on eastern high plains from "Lesser", "Interior" and "Hutchins'" races. Status as a subspecies is questionable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

## REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

FEBRUARY 7. BEAR CREEK PARK. Canceled due to inclement weather.

FEBRUARY 14. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Rescheduled to Feb. 28 due to inclement weather.

FEBRUARY 21. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 34.

Canada Goose-112, Mallard-2, Northern Harrier-2, Red-tailed Hawk-1, Rough-legged Hawk-2, American Kestrel-3, Common Snipe-2, Rock Dove-7, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted"-3, Black-billed Magpie-11, American Crow-52, Black-capped Chickadee-22, Mountain Chickadee-4, European Starling-4, American Tree Sparrow-11, White-crowned Sparrow-1, Dark-eyed Junco-14, Red-winged Blackbird-34, Western Meadowlark-1, American Goldfinch-6. (20 species, 294 individuals.)

FEBRUARY 28. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL AND BARR LAKE. Leader: Ann Bonnell, Mike Lockhart and Bob Rozinski. Observers: 57.

Pied-billed Grebe-1, Canada Goose-112, Green-winged Teal-10, Mallard-7, Northern Pintail-8, Common Goldeneye-1, Common Merganser-3, Bald Eagle-1, Northern Harrier-4, Red-tailed Hawk-4, Ferruginous Hawk-32, Rough-legged Hawk-3, Golden Eagle-1, American Kestrel-7, Ring-necked Pheasant-12, American Coot-12, Rock Dove-15, Great Horned Owl-3, Long-eared Owl-5, Downy Woodpecker-1, Horned Lark-117, Black-billed Magpie-22, European Starling-123, Dark-eyed Junco-7, Red-winged Blackbird-53, Western Meadowlark-12. (26 species, 576 individuals.)

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### DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 1989

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#### TRANSPORTATION COSTS ON FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on Denver Field Ornithologists' sponsored field trips with those who drive. Suggested cost is 10¢ per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

#### CARPOOLING URGED ON FIELD TRIPS

All Denver Field Ornithologists are urged to carpool wherever possible when going on field trips to help to conserve energy. If you contemplate going on any of the scheduled field trips listed for April, please contact the Leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling.

#### SUGGESTIONS TO LEADERS

Take the initiative in arranging for carpooling. Be sure the drivers know the route to be taken so no one gets lost. Arrange for a rest stop by noon. Make an attempt to see that all members of the group see the birds observed. Obtain some copies of the "Denver Field Ornithologist-Membership Information" handout sheet to give to prospective new members participating in your field trip. Call Alan Hay (422-0239) to obtain copies.

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PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP  
O DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.  
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- APRIL 1, Saturday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Warren Finch (233-3372).  
Meet at 6:30 A.M. at Prospect Park, West 44th Avenue near Robb  
Street.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip. Lunch optional.
- 2, Sunday. BEAR CREEK, PLAINS TO FOOTHILLS. Leader: Cal Wichern  
(693-3718). Meet at 7:30 A.M. DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME at Bear Valley  
Shopping Center, South Federal Blvd. and U.S. Hwy. 285 (Hampden),  
southwest section near Burlington Coat Factory. \*
- 8, Saturday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe  
(659-8069). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the Nature Center at Barr Lake  
State Park. Carpool on your own at the east end of the north park-  
ing lot at Denver Museum of Natural History at 6:50 A.M.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day  
trip. Lunch optional.
- 9, Sunday. SLOAN'S LAKE AND PONDS WEST. Leader: To be named later.  
Call Colorado Bird Report (423-5582) for information. Plan to meet  
at 8:00 A.M. at Sloan's Lake, southeast corner of Sheridan & 25th  
Avenue (Byron Place).  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip. Lunch optional.
- 15, Saturday. LATHAM RESERVOIR & PAWNEE NATIONAL GRASSLAND. Leader:  
Dick Pratt (759-5558). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the east end of the  
north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History. \*
- 16, Sunday. SEDALIA, PLUM CREEK & CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Lead-  
er: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at South Broadway &  
County Line Road, parking lot south of Albertson's. \*
- 22-23, Saturday & Sunday. HAYDEN AREA FOR STRUTTING SHARP-TAILED GROUSE  
AND SAGE GROUSE. Leaders: Kathy Hawkins-DFO (757-0809) and James  
Haskins-Colorado Division of Wildlife. Saturday morning travel to  
area, birding enroute. Spend the night in Super 8 Motel (Tel.  
1-879-5230) on U.S. Hwy. 40 at Steamboat Springs. Sunday morning  
drive to Hayden (20 miles) before sunrise to view grouse. Bird in  
the area until noon, returning to Denver in the afternoon. Regist-  
er with Leader to get details. \*\*
- 22, Saturday. CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Floyd Pendell  
(758-5530). Meet at west gate to the SRA at 7:30 A.M. \*
- 29, Saturday. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leaders: Ed Holub-DFO (979-  
2194) and Pete Gober-USF&WS. Meet at 7:00 A.M. for carpooling or  
a possible bus at the east end of the north parking lot at the Den-  
ver Museum of Natural History. You must register with the leader  
by April 26. \*
- 30, Sunday. CHATFIELD SRA. Leaders: Joey Kellner (988-5961) and  
Brenda Cockrell (989-9018). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Park and Ride  
on South Wadsworth Blvd. just south of U.S. Hwy. 285 (Hampden). \*

\*BRING LUNCH

Submitted by: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

Field Trip Coordinators

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WEDNESDAY BIRDERS. You are welcomed to join a group of birders on each  
Wednesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

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BIRD ATLAS SCHEDULES WORKSHOPS

The Colorado Bird Atlas will conduct a workshop and field trip in April for  
field workers and potential field workers. Regional Coordinators David Mart-  
in (422-9143) and Dick Schottler (278-8035) invite anyone interested in

learning more about Atlas field work.

APRIL 10, Monday at 7:30 P.M. Workshop at the West Auditorium of the Denver Museum of Natural History. Discussion of breeding codes, habitats and estimating abundance. Hugh Kingery will present slides to illustrate the codes.

APRIL 16, Sunday at 7:30 A.M. Field trip to Douglas County Atlas block. Meet at the Park and Ride at I-225 & Parker Road. Bring lunch.

GREATER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN TRIP TO WRAY, COLORADO tentatively scheduled for April has been postponed until next year due to scheduling conflicts.

CHEYENNE BOTTOMS STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA/QUIVIRA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, Big Bend, Kansas originally scheduled for the weekend of May 5-8, has been rescheduled to May 12-15. Leader: Bob Righter. If you plan to go, contact Ruth Breckon (455-0970) before April 30 so motel reservations and carpooling can be arranged.

GRAND JUNCTION & COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT is still scheduled for May 27-29. Leader: Jack Reddall. Details will be published in next month's issue of the Lark Bunting.



LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT

MIGRATION CALENDAR

of BIRDS OF THE PLAINS OF COLORADO - DENVER AREA - NORTH and EAST

compiled by Harold R. Holt - March 1980

The following list of bird species are arranged in the order of their average arrival and/or departure dates. Permanent resident species are not listed unless they have a definite migration pattern.

The left half of the page lists the arriving species followed by its principal status in the area covered; B-summer breeding, S-summer visitor (non-breeding), W-wintering, M-migrant transient. \* indicates rare and # indicates uncommon. Also shown is the species extreme arrival date. If that date has parenthesis ( ) enclosing it this indicates the date is not a true extreme due to an occasional winter record. A plain (tr) indicates the species migrates entirely in the foothills.

The right half of the page shows departing species for the corresponding average dates shown at the far left. Their principal status is also shown, with an additional note as to whether it nests in the foothills (B-tr) or higher mountains (B-mts) as the case may be. With departing species a ( ) enclosing the extreme date indicates the species nest on the plains, or has a occasional summer record.

| AVERAGE<br>DATE | arriving<br>species    | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>arrival<br>date | departing<br>species     | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>departing<br>date |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| FEBRUARY        |                        |                                  |                            |                          |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Mountain Bluebird      | M                                | (1/23/77)                  | Surf Scoter              | *W                               | 2/19/65                      |
| 14              |                        |                                  |                            | Snowy Owl                | *W                               | 3/25/71                      |
| 20              | Redhead                | M*B                              | *W                         | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker |                                  |                              |
| 22              | Ring-necked Duck       | M                                | *W                         | (Eastern) *W             |                                  | 3/17/59                      |
| 23              | Green-winged Teal      | M                                | #W                         | Gyr Falcon               | *W                               | 3/16/69                      |
| 28              | American Wigeon        | M                                | *W                         | Snow Bunting             | *W                               | 4/2/58                       |
| MARCH           |                        |                                  |                            |                          |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Red-necked Grebe       | *M                               | 2/28/71                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 2               | Common Pintail         | M*B                              | *W                         | Oldsquaw                 | *W                               | 3/14/71                      |
| 3               | Canvasback             | #M                               | (2/24/71)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
| 6               | American Robin         | B                                | (2/28/59)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
| 8               | Cinnamon Teal          | B                                | (2/21/69)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lesser Scaup           | M                                | #W                         |                          |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Northern Shoveler      | M*B                              | #W                         | Varied Thrush            | *W                               | 4/11/51                      |
| 10              | Whistling Swan         | #M                               | 3/1/75                     |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Gadwall                | M                                | *W                         |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Red-breasted Merganser | #M                               | (2/25/78)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
| 12              | Horned Grebe           | M                                | (2/19/77)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Hooded Merganser       | #M                               | *W                         |                          |                                  |                              |
| 13              | American Coot          | MB                               | *W                         |                          |                                  |                              |
| 14              | Bufflehead             | M                                | *W                         |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Water Pipit            | M                                | (3/1/59)                   |                          |                                  |                              |

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| MARCH           |                            |                                  |                            |                       |                                  |                              |
| 15              | Northern Harrier           | M#B                              | *W                         |                       |                                  |                              |
| 16              | Ruddy Duck                 | M*B                              | (3/9/74)                   |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Sandhill Crane             | M                                | 2/14/62                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| 17              | Red-winged Blackbird       | MB(territory)                    | W                          |                       |                                  |                              |
| 18              | Eared Grebe                | M#B                              | (3/8/75)                   |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Mourning Dove              | B                                | (3/7/62)                   |                       |                                  |                              |
| 19              | Pied-billed Grebe          | B                                | (3/11/72)                  | Bushtit               | *W (*B-tr)                       | 4/10/71                      |
|                 | Baird's Sandpiper          | M                                | 3/10/62                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Sage Sparrow               | *M                               | 3/8/75                     |                       |                                  |                              |
| 21              | Great Blue Heron           | B                                | #W                         | Glaucous Gull         | *W                               | 4/7/78                       |
| 22              | Black-legged Kittiwake     | *M                               | 3/8/75                     | Lapland Longspur      | #W                               | 4/16/70                      |
| 23              | American Kestrel           | B                                | #W                         |                       |                                  |                              |
| 24              | California Gull            | #BS                              | 3/8/71                     |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Field Sparrow              | *M                               | 3/20/74                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| 25              | White-winged Scoter        | *M                               | 3/21/76                    | Northern Pygmy Owl    | *W tr(B-mt)                      | 5/3/77                       |
|                 | Brewer's Blackbird         | #B (B-mt)                        | (3/14/70)                  |                       |                                  |                              |
| 26              | Turkey Vulture             | #M*B                             | (3/1/73)                   | Br.-capped Rosy Finch | *W tr(B-alp)                     | 4/10/59                      |
|                 | Mountain Plover            | #B                               | 3/18/78                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Greater Yellowlegs         | M                                | 3/17/74                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| 27              | Blue-winged Teal           | B                                | (3/18/59)                  | Snow Goose (blue)     | *W                               | 4/7/77                       |
| 28              | Common Grackle             | B                                | (3/20/72)                  | Common Redpoll        | #W-irr.                          | 4/14/77                      |
| 29              | Double-crested Cormorant   | B                                | (3/11/61)                  | American Dipper       | *W (B-mts)                       | 4/26/62                      |
|                 | Sage Thrasher              | M*B                              | (3/16/65)                  |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Western Bluebird           | B (tr)                           | (3/8/58)                   |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-headed Blackbird    | B                                | (3/14/71)                  |                       |                                  |                              |
| 30              | American Avocet            | B                                | 3/17/63                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Say's Phoebe               | M#B                              | 3/11/77                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Eastern Bluebird           | #B                               | (3/13/77)                  |                       |                                  |                              |
| 31              | Franklin's Gull            | M                                | 3/12/77                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Burrowing Owl              | B                                | (3/13/74)                  |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker   |                                  |                            |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | (Red-naped)                | *M                               | 3/15/64                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| APRIL           |                            |                                  |                            |                       |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Prairie Falcon             | M#B                              | W                          | Whistling Swan        | #M                               | 4/13/55                      |
|                 | McCown's Longspur          | #B                               | 3/15/54                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| 2               | Long-billed Dowitcher      | M                                | 3/17/79                    | Red-tailed Hawk       |                                  |                              |
| 4               | Swainson's Hawk            | B                                | 3/13/74                    | (Harlan's)            | #W                               | 4/27/74                      |
|                 | Williamson's Sapsucker     | B (tr)                           | 3/24/56                    |                       |                                  |                              |
|                 | Tree Swallow               | M*B                              | 3/18/78                    |                       |                                  |                              |
| 5               | Peregrine Falcon           | *M                               | 3/17/57                    | Red-necked Grebe      | *M                               | 4/16/65                      |
|                 | White-throated Swift       | B (tr)                           | 3/26/61                    | Barrow's Goldeneye    | *W                               | 5/2/59                       |
| 6               | Western Grebe              | #BS                              | (3/26/78)                  | Greater White-fronted |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lesser Yellowlegs          | M                                | 3/27/77                    | Goose                 | *W                               | 4/20/73                      |
|                 | Lincoln's Sparrow          | M                                | (3/18/76)                  | Northern Shrike       | #W                               | 4/26/70                      |
|                 | Chestnut-collared Longspur | #B                               | 3/30/71                    |                       |                                  |                              |

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| APRIL           |                                   |                                  |                            |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 7               | Violet-green Swallow              | #M                               | 3/17/74                    | Gray-crowned Rosy Finch *W(W-tr) |                                  | 4/22/67                      |
| 8               | Black-crowned Night-heron         | B                                | (3/26/66)                  | (Squaw Mt.)                      |                                  | 5/19/76                      |
|                 | Loggerhead Shrike                 | B                                | (3/24/78)                  | Black-legged Kittiwake *M        |                                  | 4/21/68                      |
|                 | Rufous-sided Towhee<br>(Spotted)  | M                                | (3/24/78)                  |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 10              | White-faced Ibis                  | M*B                              | 4/2/74                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Barn Swallow                      | B                                | 3/30/74                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 11              | Pectoral Sandpiper                | #M                               | 3/25/78                    | White-winged Scoter *M           |                                  | 4/18/77                      |
|                 | Ruby-crowned Kinglet              | M                                | (3/26/75)                  | Black Rosy Finch *W (tr)         |                                  | 4/19/70                      |
|                 | Vesper Sparrow                    | M*B                              | 3/26/57                    | (Squaw Mt.)                      |                                  | 6/13/76                      |
| 12              | White Pelican                     | M#B                              | 3/21/71                    | Bald Eagle #W                    |                                  | 5/2/75                       |
|                 | Lesser Golden Plover              | *M                               | 3/30/06                    | Northern Junco                   |                                  |                              |
|                 | Short-billed Dowitcher            | *M                               | 4/8/75                     | (White-winged)                   | #W                               | 4/29/73                      |
|                 | Northern Mockingbird              | B                                | #W                         |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Gray-cheeked Thrush               | *M                               | 4/9/62                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Brown-headed Cowbird              | B                                | (3/20/65)                  |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 13              | Osprey                            | *M                               | 3/26/78                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Bonaparte's Gull                  | M                                | 3/25/72                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Rough-winged Swallow              | M#B                              | 4/1/62                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Savannah Sparrow                  | M#B                              | 3/23/61                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 14              | Chipping Sparrow                  | M                                | 3/27/77                    | Thayer's Gull                    | *W                               | 5/4/75                       |
| 15              | Rock Wren                         | M*B                              | (3/30/68)                  | Canada Goose                     | MW                               | #B                           |
|                 | Yellow-rumped Warbler             |                                  |                            | Bohemian Waxwing                 | irr.W                            | 5/11/73                      |
|                 | (Audubon's)                       | M                                | (4/7/79)                   |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Fox Sparrow (Dusky)               | *B (mts)                         | 3/22/75                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 16              | Snowy Egret                       | *B                               | 3/29/59                    | Ross' Goose                      | *W                               | 5/12/56                      |
|                 | Laughing Gull                     | *M                               | 3/29/70                    | Purple Finch                     | *W                               | 5/2/76                       |
| 17              | Broad-winged Hawk                 | *M                               | 3/27/71                    | Northern Harrier                 | M*W                              | #B                           |
|                 | Long-billed Curlew                | #B                               | 4/1/78                     | Clark's Nutcracker               | *W (B-mts)                       | 5/23/78                      |
|                 | Wilson's Phalarope                | B                                | 3/31/72                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Least Sandpiper                   | M                                | 3/28/76                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Bank Swallow                      | #B                               | 4/7/61                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern Parula Warbler           | *M                               | 4/3/63                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Myrtle) | M                                | (4/7/63)                   |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 18              | Common Loon                       | #M                               | 4/1/72                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Great Egret                       | #M-*B                            | 4/4/76                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Marbled Godwit                    | M                                | 4/2/77                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Band-tailed Pigeon                | #B (tr)                          | 3/27/75                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black and white Warbler           | #M                               | 3/18/77                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 19              | American Bittern                  | #B                               | 4/6/65                     | Scrub Jay                        | *W (B-tr)                        | 5/16/61                      |
|                 | Killdeer                          | MB                               | #W                         |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Eastern Phoebe                    | *M*B                             | 4/8/55                     |                                  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Cassin's Sparrow                  | *B                               | 3/31/65                    |                                  |                                  |                              |
| 20              | Snowy Plover                      | *M*B                             | 4/1/72                     | Brown Creeper                    | #W B-mts)                        | 5/16/64                      |
|                 | Willet                            | M                                | 4/3/79                     |                                  |                                  |                              |

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| APRIL           |                           |                                  |                            |                        |                                  |                              |
| 20              | Western Sandpiper         | M                                | 4/9/72                     |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Hermit Thrush             | M                                | 4/8/54                     |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-throated Warbler   | *M                               | 4/3/78                     |                        |                                  |                              |
| 21              | Dunlin                    | #M                               | 4/13/66                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Forster's Tern            | M*B                              | 3/25/77                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Hooded Warbler            | *M                               | 4/7/79                     |                        |                                  |                              |
| 22              | Little Blue Heron         | *M                               | 4/12/75                    | Tree Sparrow           | W                                | 5/13/78                      |
|                 | American Woodcock         | *M                               | 4/17/65                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Semipalmated Sandpiper    | #M                               | 4/9/72                     |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern House-wren       | B                                | 4/7/76                     |                        |                                  |                              |
| 23              | Solitary Sandpiper        | M                                | 3/29/64                    | Northern Goshawk       | *W (B-tr)                        | 5/15/71                      |
|                 | Stilt Sandpiper           | #M                               | 4/17/78                    | Vermilion Flycatcher   | *W                               | 4/29/73                      |
|                 | Cliff Swallow             | B                                | 4/16/59                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Wilson's Warbler          | M                                | 4/15/57                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-throated Sparrow    | *M                               | 4/14/77                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| 24              | Black-necked Stilt        | #M                               | 4/5/70                     | Steller's Jay          | *W (B-mts)                       | 5/2/73                       |
|                 | Semipalmated Plover       | M                                | 4/18/64                    | Rusty Blackbird        | *W                               | 5/19/62                      |
|                 | Sanderling                | M                                | 4/15/56                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Orange-crowned Warbler    | M                                | 4/19/61                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lark Bunting              | B                                | (4/9/76)                   |                        |                                  |                              |
| 25              | Worm-eating Warbler       | *M                               | 4/21/79                    | Green-winged Teal      | MW                               | *S                           |
|                 | Brewer's Sparrow          | #B                               | 4/14/78                    | Canvasback             | #M                               | (5/8/55)                     |
| 26              | Cattle Egret              | #M*B                             | 4/20/71                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Western Kingbird          | B                                | 3/31/79                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Common Yellowthroat       | B                                | 4/18/37                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lark Sparrow              | B                                | 4/15/64                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| 27              | Virginia Rail             | #B                               | (4/18/74)                  | Greater Scaup          | *W                               | 5/14/67                      |
|                 | Spotted Sandpiper         | B                                | 4/18/55                    | Golden-crowned Kinglet | #W(B-mts)                        | 5/20/61                      |
|                 | Flamulated Screech-owl    | #B (tr)                          | 4/16/59                    | Fox Sparrow (Eastern)  | *W                               |                              |
|                 | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher     | #M                               | 4/24/69                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Palm Warbler              | *M                               | 4/20/77                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| 28              | Piping Plover             | *M                               | 4/16/77                    | Herring Gull           | #W                               | 5/13/78                      |
|                 | Chimney Swift             | #B                               | 4/12/72                    | Northern Junco         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-chinned Hummingbird | *M (tr)                          | 4/13/78                    | (Slate-colored)        | W                                | 5/13/78                      |
|                 | Broad-tailed Hummingbird  | #M                               | 4/19/75                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Purple Martin             | *B                               | 4/27/77                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| 29              | Sora                      | B                                | 4/19/74                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Virginia's Warbler        | M                                | 4/19/79                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Green-tailed Towhee       | M                                | (4/20/63)                  |                        |                                  |                              |
| 30              | Common Poor-will          | #M                               | 4/16/77                    | Gadwall                | M                                | *S                           |
|                 | Sprague's Pipit           | *M                               | 4/28/76                    | Golden-crowned Sparrow | *W                               | 5/13/53                      |
|                 | Lazuli Bunting            | M                                | 4/23/79                    |                        |                                  |                              |
|                 | Clay-colored Sparrow      | M                                | 4/14/63                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| MAY             |                           |                                  |                            |                        |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Brown Thrasher            | B                                | (4/18/65)                  | American Wigeon        | M*W                              | *S                           |
|                 | Swainson's Thrush         | M                                | 4/18/65                    | Redhead                | M*W                              | #B                           |
|                 | Nashville Warbler         | #M                               | 4/19/75                    | Red-breasted Merganser | #M                               | 5/19/57                      |



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| MAY             |                              |                                  |                            |                          |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Yellow Warbler               | B                                | 4/18/76                    | Mountain Chickadee       | #W (B-mts)                       | 5/17/65                      |
|                 | Dark-backed Goldfinch        | B (tr)                           | (4/18/54)                  | Townsend's Solitaire     | #W (B-mts)                       | 5/15/60                      |
| 2               | Scissor-tailed Flycatcher    | *M                               | 4/20/74                    | Sage Thrasher            | M*B (B-mts)                      | (5/20/61)                    |
|                 | Blue-winged Warbler          | *M                               | 4/24/71                    | Sage Sparrow             | *M                               | 5/22/39                      |
|                 | Baird's Sparrow              | *M                               | 4/27/61                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 3               | Dusky Flycatcher             | *M                               | 4/26/69                    | Common Goldeneye         | W                                | 5/27/73                      |
|                 | Black-throated Gray Warbler  | *M                               | 4/15/67                    | Winter Wren              | *W                               | 5/21/60                      |
| 4               | Hammond's Flycatcher         | *M                               | 5/2/70                     | Black Duck               | *W                               | 5/26/78                      |
|                 | Yellow-throated Vireo        | *M                               | 4/24/71                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern Oriole              |                                  |                            |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | (Bullock's)                  | B                                | (4/24/78)                  |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Summer Tanager               | *M                               | 4/29/72                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-headed Grosbeak        | M                                | 4/21/75                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 5               | Green Heron                  | #M*B                             | 4/16/74                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Least Bittern                | *B                               | 5/1/60                     | Common Pintail           | M                                | #B                           |
|                 | Black-bellied Plover         | #M                               | 4/22/73                    | Marsh Wren               | #W*B                             | (6/3/74)                     |
|                 | Hudsonian Godwit             | *M                               | 5/3/70                     | Northern Junco           |                                  |                              |
|                 | Whimbrel                     | *M                               | 4/25/78                    | (Oregon)                 | W                                | 5/16/54                      |
|                 | Upland Sandpiper             | *B                               | 4/15/39                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Townsend's Warbler           | #M                               | 4/11/72                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-throated Green Warbler | *M                               | 4/27/71                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 6               | Yellow-crowned Night-heron   | *S                               | 4/17/65                    | Turkey Vulture           | #M*B (B-tr)                      | *B                           |
|                 | Eastern Kingbird             | .B                               | 4/24/59                    | American Coot            | M                                | B                            |
|                 | Western Pewee                | M*B                              | 4/11/64                    | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker |                                  |                              |
|                 | Sedge Wren                   | *B                               | 4/26/77                    | (Red-naped)              | *M (B-mts)                       | 5/19/62)                     |
|                 | MacGillivray's Warbler       | M                                | 4/23/73                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Rose-breasted Grosbeak       | #M                               | 4/25/75                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Indigo Bunting               | #B                               | 4/20/79                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 7               | Western Flycatcher           | M                                | 4/23/72                    | Mountain Bluebird        | M (B-mts)                        | 5/20/61                      |
|                 | Prothonotary Warbler         | *M                               | 4/30/67                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Tennessee Warbler            | #M                               | 4/25/74                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Cape May Warbler             | *M                               | 5/2/73                     |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Western Tanager              | M                                | 4/29/76                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 8               | Ruddy Turnstone              | *M                               | 5/5/70                     | Snow Goose (white)       | #W                               | 5/21/77                      |
|                 | Olive-sided Flycatcher       | #M                               | 4/21/78                    | Dunlin                   | #M                               | 5/16/70                      |
|                 | Blackburnian Warbler         | #M                               | 4/27/67                    | Swamp Sparrow            | #W                               | 5/19/56                      |
|                 | Blackpoll Warbler            | #M                               | 4/28/74                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-breasted Chat         | M*B (B-tr)                       | 4/28/77                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Dickcissel                   | #B-irr                           | 5/1/57                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Black Tern                   | M*B                              | 4/25/60                    | White-breasted Nuthatch  |                                  |                              |
|                 | Willow Flycatcher            | M                                | 4/28/74                    |                          | #W*B (B-mts)                     | (5/14/60)                    |
|                 | Black-throated Blue Warbler  | *M                               | 4/27/77                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Ovenbird                     | #M                               | 5/2/70                     |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Grasshopper Sparrow          | #B                               | 5/1/78                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 10              | Red-headed Woodpecker        | B                                | (4/22/59)                  | Short-eared Owl          | #W*B                             | (5/28/72)                    |
|                 | Great Crested Flycatcher     | *M                               | 5/7/66                     | Rough-winged Swallow     | M                                | #B                           |
|                 | Ash-throated Flycatcher      | *M                               | 4/24/56                    |                          |                                  |                              |

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| 10              | Least Flycatcher               | #M                               | 5/3/60                     |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Warbling Vireo                 | #M*B                             | 5/3/77                     |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Chestnut-sided Warbler         | #M                               | 4/29/42                    |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | American Redstart              | M                                | 5/3/64                     |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Orchard Oriole                 | B                                | 4/29/78                    |                         |                                  |                              |
| 11              | Louisiana Heron                | *M                               | 4/23/70                    | Rough-legged Hawk       | W                                | 6/4/61                       |
|                 | Red Knot                       | *M                               | 5/7/64                     | Red-bellied Woodpecker  | *W                               | 5/16/73                      |
|                 | Veery                          | #M                               | 5/3/64                     | Water Pipit             | M (B-alp)                        | 5/23/59                      |
|                 | Philadelphia Vireo             | *M                               | 5/9/64                     | Harris' Sparrow         | #W                               | 5/23/70                      |
|                 | Golden-winged Warbler          | *M                               | 5/3/77                     |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Magnolia Warbler               | #M                               | 4/25/53                    |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Bay-breasted Warbler           | *M                               | 5/7/77                     |                         |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern Oriole<br>(Baltimore) | #B                               | 5/7/72                     |                         |                                  |                              |
| 12              | Northern Phalarope             | M                                | 4/24/74                    | Northern Raven          | *W (B-mts)                       | 5/29/76                      |
|                 | Gray Catbird                   | *B (B-tr)                        | 5/7/77                     | Bewick's Wren           | *W                               | 6/5/60                       |
|                 | Solitary Vireo                 | M                                | 4/27/75                    | Sprague's Pipit         | *M                               | 5/13/67                      |
|                 | Canada Warbler                 | *M                               | 5/11/68                    | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher   | #M (*B-tr)                       | 5/22/65                      |
|                 | Scarlet Tanager                | *M                               | 5/8/40                     |                         |                                  |                              |
| 13              | Common Tern                    | *M                               | 5/3/78                     | Peregrine Falcon        | *M (B-mts)                       | 5/21/61                      |
|                 | Cassin's Kingbird              | *S                               | 5/1/59                     | Merlin                  | #W                               | 5/29/78                      |
|                 | Bell's Vireo                   | *B                               | 5/7/61                     | Yellow-throated Vireo   | *M                               | 5/16/60                      |
| 14              | Common Nighthawk               | B                                | 4/30/69                    | Wood Duck               | #W*B                             | (5/29/78)                    |
|                 | Red-eyed Vireo                 | #B                               | 5/7/77                     | Red-tailed Hawk         | W*B (B-tr)                       | (5/20/73)                    |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Whimbrel                | *M                               | 5/18/61                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Greater Yellowlegs      | M                                | 5/23/59                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Hairy Woodpecker (mt)   | #W (B-mts)                       | 5/23/59                      |
| 15              | Bobolink                       | #B                               | 5/8/57                     | Hooded Merganser        | #W                               | 6/3/78                       |
|                 | Blue Grosbeak                  | *B                               | 5/8/76                     | Semipalmated Plover     | M                                | 5/26/68                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Lesser Golden Plover    | *M                               | 5/18/63                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Worm-eating Warbler     | *M                               | 5/27/79                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Yellow-throated Warbler | *M                               | 5/28/79                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Cassin's Finch          | irr.W (B-mts)                    | 5/27/64                      |
| 16              | Mississippi Kite               | *M                               |                            | Sharp-shinned Hawk      | #W (B-tr)                        | 6/3/79                       |
|                 | (B-LaJunta-Lamar)              |                                  | 5/11/77                    | Marbled Godwit          | M                                | 5/22/76                      |
|                 | Wood Thrush                    | *M                               | 5/10/75                    | Gray-headed Junco       | W (B-mts)                        | 5/30/65                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Field Sparrow           | *M                               | 6/2/79                       |
| 17              | Eastern Pewee                  | *B                               | 5/7/66                     | Ring-necked Duck        | M*W                              | 6/4/64                       |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Red-shouldered Hawk     | *W                               | 5/23/75                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Solitary Sandpiper      | M                                | 5/28/62                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Ruddy Turnstone         | *M                               | 5/29/78                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Hammond's Flycatcher    | *M (B-mts)                       | 5/29/65                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | White-throated Sparrow  | #W                               | 6/6/65                       |
| 18              | White-rumped Sandpiper         | M                                | 5/10/59                    | Horned Grebe            | M                                | 6/4/76                       |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Snowy Plover            | *M*B                             | (6/8/71)                     |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Pectoral Sandpiper      | #M                               | 5/28/77                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Red-breasted Nuthatch   | M*W (B-mts)                      | 5/29/75                      |
|                 |                                |                                  |                            | Gray-cheeked Thrush     | *M                               | 6/1/64                       |

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| 18              |                      |                                  |                            | Yellow-throated Vireo            | *M                               | 5/22/68                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Philadelphia Vireo               | *M                               | 5/19/56                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Nashville Warbler                | #M                               | 5/31/78                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Virginia's Warbler               | M (B-tr)                         | 5/23/59                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Bl.-thr. Gray Warbler            | *M                               | 5/24/63                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Black-throated Green<br>Warbler  | *M                               | 6/1/75                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Baird's Sparrow                  | *M                               | 5/23/59                      |
| 19              |                      |                                  |                            | Willet                           | M*S                              | (5/31/75)                    |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Long-billed Dowitcher            | M                                | (6/1/68)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Least Sandpiper                  | M                                | 6/2/79                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Pinyon Jay                       | #W (B-mts)                       | 6/6/77                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Cape May Warbler                 | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 5/23/79                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Hooded Warbler                   | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 5/25/76                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Lazuli Bunting                   | M (B-tr)                         | (6/1/68)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Green-tailed Towhee              | M (B-tr)                         | 5/29/73                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Rufous-sided Towhee<br>(Spotted) | M (B-tr)                         | (5/31/61)                    |
| 20              | Yellow-billed Cuckoo | #B                               | 5/8/61                     | Northern Shoveler                | W                                | *S                           |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Broad-winged Hawk                | #M                               | 6/5/63                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Piping Plover                    | *M                               | 6/1/79                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Black-bellied Plover             | #M                               | 5/27/74                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Short-billed Dowitcher           | *M                               | 5/24/76                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Red Knot                         | *M                               | 5/23/59                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Sanderling                       | M                                | 5/31/75                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Rufous-sided Towhee<br>(Eastern) | *W                               | 5/29/77                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Vesper Sparrow                   | M*B (B-tr)                       | (5/30/78)                    |
| 21              |                      |                                  |                            | Common Loon                      | #M                               | (6/4/77)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | White-faced Ibis                 | M*B                              | (6/1/75)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Bufflehead                       | M*W                              | 5/29/66                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Common Merganser                 | W (B-tr)                         | 6/4/78                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Cooper's Hawk                    | #W (B-tr)                        | 6/11/78                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Western Sandpiper                | M                                | 6/2/79                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Baird's Sandpiper                | M                                | 6/1/68                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Stilt Sandpiper                  | #M                               | 6/10/79                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Bonaparte's Gull                 | M                                | 6/5/77                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Common Poor-will                 | #M (B-tr)                        | 6/15/79                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Violet-green Swallow             | M (Bmts)                         | 5/27/73                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Tree Swallow                     | M*B (B-mts)                      | (6/4/78)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Hermit Thrush                    | M (B-mts)                        | 6/3/63                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Townsend's Warbler               | #M                               | 5/31/70                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Palm Warbler                     | *M                               | 5/28/67                      |
| 22              |                      |                                  |                            | Great Egret                      | M*B                              | (6/4/67)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Semipalmated Sandpiper           | #M                               | 5/31/75                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Great Crested Flycatcher         | *M                               | 6/2/79                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Rock Wren                        | M*B (B-tr)                       | (6/4/78)                     |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Black and white Warbler          | #M                               | 6/10/62                      |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Clay-colored Sparrow             | M                                | 6/1/75                       |
|                 |                      |                                  |                            | Northern Cardinal                | *W(B-east)                       | 5/29/64                      |

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| 23              |                     |                                  |                            | Eared Grebe                       | M#B                              | (6/4/78)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Canvasback                        | #M*B                             | (6/6/63)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Lesser Scaup                      | M*W                              | (6/4/77)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Ruby-crowned Kinglet              | M (B-mts)                        | 5/29/73                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Blackburnian Warbler              | #M                               | 6/1/75                       |
| 24              |                     |                                  |                            | Osprey                            | #M                               | 6/10/78                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Lesser Yellowlegs                 | M                                | 6/5/67                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Eastern Phoebe                    | #M*B                             | (6/9/61)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Veery                             | #M (*B-tr)                       | 6/14/75                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Orange-crowned Warbler            | M                                | 6/1/68                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Magnolia Warbler                  | #M                               | 6/3/75                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Myrtle) | M                                | 6/1/68                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Northern Waterthrush              | M                                | 6/5/78                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | MacGillivray's Warbler            | M (B-tr)                         | 6/3/75                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | White-winged Crossbill            | *W (mts)                         | 6/8/75                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Chipping Sparrow                  | M (B-tr)                         | 6/6/70                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Black-throated Sparrow            | *M                               | 6/3/75                       |
| 25              |                     |                                  |                            | Green Heron                       | #M*B                             | (6/6/71)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Black-necked Stilt                | #M*B                             | (6/1/63)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Solitary Vireo                    | M*B (B-tr)                       | (6/5/60)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Ovenbird                          | #M (#B-tr)                       | 6/4/76                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Wilson's Warbler                  | M (B-mts)                        | 6/8/78                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Evening Grosbeak                  | irr.WB (B-mts)                   | (5/31/65)                    |
| 26              |                     |                                  |                            | Forster's Tern                    | M*B                              | (6/3/72)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Least Flycatcher                  | *M                               | 5/31/70                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Warbling Vireo                    | #M*B (B-mts)                     | (5/31/68)                    |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Pine Siskin                       | irr.W (B-mts)                    | (6/15/78)                    |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Lincoln's Sparrow                 | M (B-mts)                        | 6/6/75                       |
| 27              |                     |                                  |                            | White Pelican                     | M#B S                            | (6/10/75)                    |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Mississippi Kite                  | *M                               | 6/3/77                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Hudsonian Godwit                  | *M                               | 5/31/76                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Franklin's Gull                   | M                                | (6/6/79)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Black Tern                        | M*B                              | (6/9/73)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Willow Flycatcher                 | M (B-tr)                         | 6/4/77                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Olive-sided Flycatcher            | #M (B-mts)                       | 6/4/61                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Northern Parula Warbler           | *M                               | 6/16/64                      |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Blackpoll Warbler                 | *M                               | 6/5/71                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | American Redstart                 | #M (#B-tr)                       | 6/6/75                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Western Tanager                   | M (B-tr)                         | (6/9/71)                     |
| 28              |                     |                                  |                            | Cattle Egret                      | #M*B                             | (5/31/76)                    |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Golden-winged Warbler             | *M                               | 6/9/68                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Black-thr. Blue Warbler           | *M                               | 6/2/77                       |
| 29              |                     |                                  |                            | Prothonotary Warbler              | *M                               | 6/7/74                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Summer Tanager                    | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 6/8/75                       |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | Black-headed Grosbeak             | M (B-tr)                         | (6/4/63)                     |
|                 |                     |                                  |                            | White-crowned Sparrow             | #W (B-mts)                       | 6/9/74                       |
| 30              | Black-billed Cuckoo | *B                               | 5/18/63                    | Chestnut-sided Warbler            | #M (*B-tr)                       | 6/8/75                       |



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| 31              | Little Tern               | *B                               | 5/20/61                    | Laughing Gull           | *M                               | 6/8/75                       |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Cedar Waxwing           | irr.W (*B-tr)                    | 6/12/76                      |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Blue-winged Warbler     | *M                               | 6/19/70                      |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Scarlet Tanager         | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 6/6/71                       |
| JUNE            |                           |                                  |                            |                         |                                  |                              |
| 1               |                           |                                  |                            | Common Tern             | *M                               | (6/4/77)                     |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Carolina Wren           | *W                               | (6/7/75)                     |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Canada Warbler          | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 6/18/67<br>(Pawnee)          |
| 2               |                           |                                  |                            | Northern Phalarope      | M                                | 6/14/59                      |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Rose-breasted Grosbeak  | #M                               | (6/13/60)                    |
| 3               |                           |                                  |                            | Bay-breasted Warbler    | *M (*B-tr)                       | 6/16/73                      |
| 4               |                           |                                  |                            | Louisiana Heron         | *M                               | 6/13/75                      |
| 5               |                           |                                  |                            | American Woodcock       | *M                               | 6/8/95                       |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | White-rumped Sandpiper  | M                                | 6/14/59                      |
|                 |                           |                                  |                            | Swainson's Thrush       | M (#B-mts)                       | 6/18/75                      |
| 8               |                           |                                  |                            | Little Blue Heron       | *M                               | 6/28/55                      |
| 9               |                           |                                  |                            | Red Crossbill           | irr.W (B-mts)                    | 6/16/64                      |
| 12              | Blue-throated Hummingbird | *B (tr)                          | 5/28/70                    |                         |                                  |                              |
| 19              | Magnificent Hummingbird   | *B (tr)                          | 6/6/76                     |                         |                                  |                              |
| 24              |                           |                                  |                            | Ash-throated Flycatcher | *M                               | 7/9/77                       |

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MARCH 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

- MARCH 4, Saturday. Lower Deer Creek & Waterton Area. Trip cancelled, no observers.
- 5, Sunday. Bear Creek, Plains to Foothills (BC). Leader: Cal Wichern. Observers: Tim Maguire, Mort Staatz. (Clear; Wind, light; 20°-35°). 23 miles by car, 3.5 miles on foot. 6 hours birding (30 species, 228 individuals).
- 9, Thursday. Southcentral Colorado: Lathrop State Park to Monte Vista NWR and return (SCCO). Observers: Dorothy and Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy; Wind, N 10-15 MPH; 45°-70°). 214 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 10.5 hours birding. (48 species, 6060 individuals).



- MARCH 11, Saturday. Barr Lake State Park (BAR). Leaders: Glenn & Jeane Hageman. Observers: Ursula Barsch, Tom & Virginia Faxon, Ed Holub, Jean Maguire, Thompson Marsh, Joe TenBrink, Virgil Williams, Martha Zoetewey. (Cloudy; Wind, calm; 45°-70°). Zero miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (36 species, 996 individuals).
- 12, Sunday. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt & Mt. Olivet Cemetery (GB). Leader: Alan Hay. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Virginia Bleck, Ed & Judy Capra, George Collings, Hilda Eichenberger, Warren Finch, Barbara Jean Gard, Dee Hay, Sharon Polhamus, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Don & Jo Shrode, Anne Southcott, Vito Tursi, Jean VanLoan. (Sunny to overcast; Wind, calm; 40°-68°). 2 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (29 species, 387 individuals).
- 18, Saturday. Chatfield SRA (CHAT). Leader: Irv Jackson. Observers: Marge Abbott\*, Shirley Blackburn\*, Marilyn Clark, Gary Conover\*, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Phil Hayes, Joe Kamby, Norma Kamby, Hazel Kellogg, Wayne McPherson\*, Jo Marner\*, Thompson Marsh, Tom & Virginia Faxon, Jack Reddall, Marcelle Riber\*, Bob Righter, Anne Southcott, Bob Spencer, Virgil Williams (\*denotes visitors from Colorado Springs). (Partly cloudy to mostly cloudy; Wind, variable 5-10 MPH; 31°-60°). 42 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (54 species, 1723 individuals).
- 19, Sunday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCKR). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observers: Dick & Loretta Angstadt, Brenda Cockrell, Barbara & Jim Fay, Warren Finch, Ty Fitzmorris, Pearl Jordan, Joey Kellner, Randy Lentz, Bob & Marty Montgomery, Dick Pratt, Larry Sanders, Lynn Sauer, Anne Southcott, Mort Staatz, Arlene Wallace, Scott Wallace. (Partly cloudy to mostly cloudy; Wind, variable 5-10 MPH; 25°-58°). 25 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 10 hours birding. (53 species, 1018 individuals).
- 25, Saturday. Daniels Park, McLellan Reservoir & Cherokee Ranch (DP). Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Virginia Bleck, Ruth Breckon, Al & Dee Hay, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Hazel Kellogg, Thompson Marsh, Don & Jo Shrode, Tony Titman, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, S 5 MPH; 42°-65°). 66 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (38 species, 320 individuals).
- 26, Sunday. Boulder area: Waldon/Sawhill Ponds, Chautauqua Park & Haystack Mountain area (BLD). Leader: Alex Cruz, Jr. Observer: Joe TenBrink. (Clear; Wind, calm; 55°-75°). 29 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (59 species, 1269 individuals).
- 29, Wednesday. Cherry Creek Village & Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCKR). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy becoming overcast with steady rain in the afternoon; Wind, NE 5-10 MPH; 44°-58°). 41 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 9.5 hours birding. (50 species, 1162 individuals).
- 31, Friday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to Prospect Reservoir, farm ponds at Weld Co. Rds. 6&61 and 6&67, Muir Springs Park, Tamarack Ranch SWA, Red Lion SWA & Jumbo Reservoir (NECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy turning mostly cloudy by late in the day; Wind, variable 5-10 MPH; 42°-66°). 209 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 10.5 hours birding. (55 species, 4561 individuals).

#### MARCH 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

During March, the Denver Field Ornithologists conducted 7 field trips with one having to be cancelled due to the lack of participants. Three individual field trips are also included in this month's summaries. As a result, 101



3 species were recorded during March, a rather meager total considering the fact that by this time of year the spring migration has usually begun and is gathering speed.

The spring's first Eared Grebes were found on the 26th on the Boulder field trip. Likewise, the season's first American White Pelicans found by "field trippers" were a flock of 30 circling high over Jumbo Reservoir in extreme northeastern Colorado on March 31. Also on the 31st, 300 "white morph" and three "blue morph" Snow Geese sailed into Jumbo Reservoir late in the afternoon. Duck species were reported with regularity during the month and in good numbers with the first returning Blue-winged Teal (2 males) recorded at Chatfield SRA on March 18. There were no waterfowl surprises reported during the month.

The first Turkey Vulture of the year was spotted near Boulder on the 26th. An Osprey was observed on March 18 flying upstream from the "Kingfisher" bridge at the Chatfield SRA, an extremely early record for this species. According to Holt's "Spring Migration Calendar" published in last month's Lark Bunting, the earliest that this species had ever been recorded in the area was on March 26, 1978, with an average arrival date of April 13. The only other raptor of note seen during March was a single female "Prairie" race of the Merlin sitting on a pole at the Monte Vista NWR on the 9th. Also at Monte Vista on the 9th, 900 Sandhill Cranes were seen accompanied by one, "well-wired" adult Whooping Crane.

The spring's first shorebirds arrived late in the month with three Greater Yellowlegs at Boulder on the 26th and a single bird on the 31st at Jumbo Reservoir. A single Lesser Yellowlegs appeared at Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA on March 29. Perhaps the best group of birds seen during the month were representatives of the Gull family with a total of six different species reported. The first Franklin's Gull was found on the 26th near Boulder while California Gulls were reported in good numbers by several field trips. A first-winter Thayer's Gull was well studied at Cherry Creek Reservoir on March 19 and observed again on the 29th. A breeding plumaged adult was also seen at Jumbo Reservoir on March 31. Unquestionably the "find" of the year so far was a single, first-winter Glaucous-winged Gull, well studied for nearly an hour late in the afternoon on the 31st at Jumbo Reservoir (detailed written documentation on file with the Editor). This is only the second record of this species for Colorado, the first being found at Antero Reservoir in Park County on July 24, 1981. Glaucous-winged Gulls are notoriously pelagic and seldom are recorded far inland.

A single, adult Long-eared Owl was located in dense tangles on March 29 at the Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA. When flushed, the bird continually circled about the area. However, even though nesting was indicated by this action, a nest could not be found in the thick woodlands. The first Tree Swallows (6) were sighted by the field trip to the Chatfield SRA on the 18th. One female Rusty Blackbird surprised the field trip to Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA on March 19 as the group was gathered around trying to coax calling Virginia Rails into the open. Another minor surprise were 20 males and females Great-tailed Grackles observed at dawn feeding along the edge of a marsh at Lathrop State Park on the 9th. This species is certainly extending its range northward into Colorado, but this is believed to be the largest single flock recorded in the state (they had moved on by the following day and could not be relocated).

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| MARCH 1989              | 5  | 9    | 11  | 12 | 18   | 19   | 25 | 26  | 29   | 31   |
|-------------------------|----|------|-----|----|------|------|----|-----|------|------|
| AREA COVERED            | BC | SCCO | BAR | GB | CHAT | CCKR | DP | BLD | CCKR | NECO |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED      | PF | FMHP | PLN | PL | PLNS | PLNS | PF | P/F | PLNS | PLNS |
| Red-winged Blackbird    |    | 300  | 113 | 37 | 30   | 60   | 1  | 50  | 200  | 600  |
| Western Meadowlark      |    |      | 6   |    | 15   | 20   | 2  | 4   | 30   | 90   |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird |    |      |     |    |      |      |    |     | 1ma  |      |
| Rusty Blackbird         |    |      |     |    |      | 1fe  |    |     |      |      |
| Great-tailed Grackle    |    | 20   |     |    |      |      |    |     |      |      |
| Common Grackle          |    |      |     |    |      |      |    | 1ma | 4    | 15   |
| House Finch             | 5  | 5    |     | 8  | 1mlf | 15   | 8  | 4   | 20   | 20   |
| Pine Siskin             |    | 1    |     |    | 1    |      | 4  | 2   |      |      |
| American Goldfinch      |    |      |     |    |      |      |    |     |      | 1    |
| House Sparrow           |    | 25   | 16  | 7  | 1ma  | 10   | 1  | 23  | 30   | 35   |
| TOTAL SPECIES-101       | 30 | 48   | 36  | 29 | 54   | 53   | 38 | 59  | 50   | 55   |

ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i; Heard Only=H; Nesting Observed=N; Number of nests=N1 (one), N2 (two), etc; Plains=PLNS,PL,P; Foot-hills=F; Mountains=M; High Mountain Plains=HP.

ADDITIONAL MARCH 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

American White Pelican 3-19 (5) Lower Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (JH).  
 Snow Goose 3-16 (600 "White" morphs, 23 "Blue" morphs) Jackson Reservoir, Morgan Co. (JH); 3-16 (350 "White" morphs, 12 "Blue" morphs) Riverside Reservoir, Weld Co. (JH); 3-16 (42 "White" morphs, 5 "Blue" morphs) Lower Latham Reservoir (JH).  
 Ross' Goose 3-15 (1 adult-"White" morph) C.F.&I. Lakes, Pueblo Co. (JR); 3-26 (1 adult-"White" morph) Weld Co. Rds. 45&46 (JH). Written details (JH).  
 Wood Duck 3-15 (2 males, 2 females) Pueblo River Greenway, Pueblo Co. (JR).  
 Common Merganser 3-27 (3 pair) Poudre Canyon, Larimer Co. (HH, JR).  
 Sandhill Crane 3-16 (7) stubble fields east of Jackson Reservoir (JH); 3-21 (2) Bear Creek Lake Park, Jefferson Co. (MJS).  
 Long-eared Owl 3-26 (2 adults) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (RL).  
 Northern Saw-whet Owl 3-26 (1 adult in nest hole probably sitting on eggs) Castlewood Canyon State Park, Douglas Co. (RL). Seen again on 3-27 (RL, JR). Lentz heard three others calling on the night of 3-26. Lentz and Reddall heard only the mate of the nesting bird call from dense cover on the night of 3-27.  
 White-throated Swift 3-26 (9 flying) Red Rocks Park, Jefferson Co. (BC,JK).  
 Tree Swallow 3-15 (1) C.F.&I. Lakes, Pueblo Co. (JR).  
 Violet-green Swallow 3-11 (4) Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (BC,JK).  
 Carolina Wren 3-12 (1 singing bird) first observed in the East 9400 block of Chenango Avenue about 8:00 A.M. (BP); observed again about 30 minutes later at 4450 South Alton St., Cherry Creek Village (JR); 3-14 (1 loudly singing bird) 4450 South Alton St., Cherry Creek Village (JR)-seen early in the day and then at bird bath late in the afternoon. Is this the same bird that has been reported around southeast Denver this winter?; 3-24 (1 singing bird) Barr Lake State Park, Adams Co. (BC,JK). Good written details submitted (BC,JK).  
 Golden-crowned Kinglet 3-22 (1) Castlewood Canyon State Park (JR).  
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet 3-21 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale, Weld Co. (JH).  
 Western Bluebird 3-26 (2) Genesee Mountain Park, Jefferson Co. (BC,JK).  
 Mountain Bluebird 3-5 (10) Chatfield SRA (BO,HO).  
 Water Pipit 3-21 (2) Bear Creek Lake Park (MJS).  
 Yellow-rumped Warbler 3-18 (1) Chatfield SRA (MJS).



Lincoln's Sparrow 3-30 (1) Bear Creek Lake Park (MJS).  
Harris' Sparrow 3-15 (1 immature) Pueblo Nature Center, Pueblo Co. (JR).  
Yellow-headed Blackbird 3-24 (3) Gun Club Road, County-? (BC,JK).  
Great-tailed Grackle 3-28 (1) Lower Latham Reservoir (JH).

ADDENDUM:

Blue-winged Teal 3-5 (1 male) Chatfield SRA (AH).

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The DFO has established a scrap book for the purpose of preserving historical data and other pertinent information concerning its activities and members relative to its being in existence for over fifty years. If you have any items that you feel would enhance our scrap book with which you would be willing to donate, please contact Kathy Hawkins (757-0809) or mail your items to her at: 6860-D East Mississippi Ave., Denver, Colorado 80224

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

MARCH 7. OLD STONE HOUSE ESTES AND YALE, BEAR CREEK NATURE TRAIL.

Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 32.

Great Blue Heron 1, Canada Goose 33, Mallard 48, Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Cooper's Hawk 1, Rough-legged Hawk ("dark" morph) 1, American Kestrel 1, Gull (sp.?) 14, Belted Kingfisher 3, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 13, Blue Jay 2, Black-billed Magpie 7, Black-capped Chickadee 1, American Dipper 2, American Robin 6, European Starling 18, Song Sparrow 3, Red-winged Blackbird 11, House Finch 2. (19 species, 168 individuals.)

MARCH 14. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 23.

Great Blue Heron 2, Snow Goose 1, Canada Goose 191, Green-winged Teal 63, Mallard 22, Northern Pintail 14, American Wigeon 1, Canvasback 2, Redhead 335, Ring-necked Duck 14, Scaup (sp.?) 15, Common Goldeneye 16, Bufflehead 11, Northern Harrier 4, American Kestrel 1, American Coot 6, Ring-billed Gull 10, California Gull 1, Great Horned Owl 2 (one on nest), Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 1, Horned Lark 4, Black-billed Magpie 6, Black-capped Chickadee 2, Mountain Bluebird 2, American Robin 1, European Starling 101, Song Sparrow 1, Dark-eyed Junco 1, Red-winged Blackbird 20. (29 species, 850 individuals.)

MARCH 21. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 30.

Great Blue Heron 1, Canada Goose 11, Green-winged Teal 3, Mallard 10, Lesser Scaup 2, Bufflehead 2, Northern Harrier 1, Cooper's Hawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 9, Ferruginous Hawk 2, Golden Eagle 1, American Kestrel 1, Prairie Falcon 1, Killdeer 2, Ring-billed Gull 1, Great Horned Owl 2 (one on nest), Downy Woodpecker 3, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 6, Blue Jay 1, Black-billed Magpie 14, American Crow 1, Common Raven 4, Black-capped Chickadee 10, Mountain Chickadee 1, American Robin 14, European Starling 50, Song Sparrow 3, White-crowned Sparrow 2, Dark-eyed Junco 13, Red-winged Blackbird 46, Western Meadowlark 11, House Finch 8. (32 species, 237 individuals.)

MARCH 28. BEAR CREEK LAKE PARK. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 27.

Horned Grebe 4, Western Grebe 1, Double-crest. Cormorant 1, Great Blue Heron 2, Canada Goose 8, Green-winged Teal 14, Mallard 26, Gadwall 15, Common Goldeneye 6, Red-tailed Hawk 4, American Kestrel 5, Killdeer 1, Ring-billed Gull 1, Rock Dove 2, Belted Kingfisher 1, Downy Woodpecker 1, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 10, Black-billed Magpie 7, Black-capped Chickadee 8, American Robin 12, European Starling 17, Song Sparrow 1, Red-winged Blackbird 2, Western Meadowlark 13. (24 species, 163 individuals.)

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DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR MAY 1989

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INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS:

1. Compile a summary of your Field Trip in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order showing the total number of birds observed for each species and mail it immediately after the Field Trip to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street, Englewood, Colorado 80111. PLEASE NOTE: Submitting Field Trip summaries in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order saves the Editor considerable time and trouble since his worksheets are laid out in this manner. There are several Field Check-Lists currently in circulation that are badly out-of-date and/or unsuitable for use by the Editor. Field Trip Leaders are urged to use the Check-List that appeared in the July 1988 issue of the Lark Bunting (Vol. 23, No. 10) or follow its format to compile and submit results of their Field Trips.
2. Along with your summary, submit a list in alphabetical order of the names of all observers participating in the Field Trip, a note on weather and wind conditions, temperature, miles covered by car and on foot and the duration of the trip.
3. Include any observations of recognizable "color morphs" (e.g., Snow Goose-"White" morph vs. "Blue" morph) and/or subspecies (e.g., Northern Oriole-"Baltimore" race vs. "Bullock's" race) with your summary.
4. On Field Trips where more than one life zone is visited, please submit individual totals of species and numbers for each species found in each life zone (e.g., Plains, Foothills, Mountains, Alpine).
5. Individual Field Trips are acceptable and will be published along with the results of regularly scheduled DFO Field Trips depending upon space and interest.
6. Deadline for receipt of all Field Trip Reports is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the current monthly summaries.
7. Please notify the Editor (Jack Reddall - Tel. 771-5308) if a Field Trip is cancelled for any reason.

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MAY 6, Saturday. ROXBOROUGH PARK. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the parking lot at South Broadway and County Line Road (by Albertson's). \*

7, Sunday. UPPER AND LOWER WHITE RANCH. Leaders: Betty & Harold Oliver (936-6902). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Lions Park in Golden at 10th & Maple. \*



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MAY 12-15, Friday through Monday. CHEYENNE BOTTOMS STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA/QIVIRA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE. Leader: Bob Righter. Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History to caravan and bird watch on the way; OR meet the Leader at 3:00 P.M. on Friday at the Best Western Vagabond Inn at Hays, Kansas. Saturday & Sunday nights at Great Bend, Kansas. Bring food for lunch in the field for Saturday and Sunday. If going, you must register with Ruth Breckon (455-0970) by April 30.

13&14, Saturday and Sunday. ANNUAL SPRING COUNT. Coordinator: Hugh Kingery (333-0161). Compiler: Kathy Hawkins (757-0809). Leaders must submit the results of their trips to Kathy Hawkins by no later than Monday, May 22.

MAY 13, SATURDAY

LOWER BEAR CREEK. Leader: Bob Spencer (279-4682). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at Bear Valley Shopping Center (southwest section near the Burlington Coat Factory store) at South Sheridan Blvd. north of Hampden Ave. (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*

CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Jan Justice (936-4547). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Deer Creek (west) entrance to park (off Colo. Hwy. 75). \*

WATERTON. Leader: Hugh Kingery (333-0161). Meet at 6:00 A.M. at the Park and Ride, U.S. Hwy. 285 and South Wadsworth Blvd., southwest quadrant OR at the Waterton Bridge at 6:15 A.M. \*

MAY 14, SUNDAY

CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet at 6:00 A.M. at the entrance station at the west gate near the Cherry Creek High School. \*

CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Randy Lentz (777-7101). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Park and Ride at Leetsdale Drive (Parker Road) and I-225, southwest quadrant. Hiking all day, about 8 miles (up and down). \*

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Urling Kingery (333-0161). Call Leader. Number of observers is limited. \*

BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leader: Dick Schottler (278-8035). Meet at 6:00 A.M. at entrance station to Barr Lake State Park. This is a strenuous all day 10 mile hike around the lake. \*

BARR LAKE PERIFERY. Leader: Walt Bull (751-1032). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at Piccadilly Road and Bromley Lane. \*

20, Saturday. RIGLI RANCH (near Fort Morgan). Leader: Joe Rigli. Coordinator: Ruth Wheeler (455-3924). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History OR at 7:45 A.M. at the Pepperpod Restaurant in Hudson (I-76). \*

21, Sunday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Mort Staatz (279-6169). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at Prospect Park, West 44th Avenue near Robb Street.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip with lunch optional.

27, Saturday. HIGHLINE CANAL AND DANIELS PARK. Leader: Lynn Willcockson (757-7000). Meet Leader at 7:30 A.M. at the parking lot at South Broadway and County Line Road (by Albertson's). \*



MAY 27-29, Saturday through Monday. GRAND JUNCTION AREA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). SATURDAY: Meet at 12:00 noon at the Picnic Area at Island Acres State Recreation Area (Exit # 47 off of Interstate 70) for lunch. In the afternoon we will search for Scott's Oriole near the Utah State Line as well as for Sage Sparrow. It will be hot so come prepared! SUNDAY: Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Devil's Kitchen picnic ground just inside the east entrance to the Colorado National Monument (National Parks Pass required or a daily fee). We will spend the day looking for west slope specialties such as Gambel's Quail, Black-chinned Hummingbird, Gray Flycatcher, Ash-throated Flycatcher, Pinyon Jay, Plain Titmouse, Bushtit, Gray Vireo, Black-throated Gray Warbler, Black-throated Sparrow and much more! There will be quite a bit of hiking in hot weather so be prepared. MONDAY: Meet at 6:30 A.M. at Exit #46 off of Interstate 70 (Cameo) to try for the Chukar. This may require some extensive searching on foot or maybe we will get lucky right away. It will be hotter still! If time permits, we will reassemble at the Island Acres SRA for further birding and lunch leaving for Denver by 1:00 P.M. There is camping at Island Acres SRA (may be crowded) and at the Colorado National Monument (Saddlehorn Campground) adjacent to the Visitor Center. Otherwise, there are many motels in Grand Junction but if you plan to stay in a motel, reservations are a must ahead of time. The National Junior College Little World Series Baseball Tournament is usually held at this time. PLEASE CALL THE LEADER (771-5308) BY MAY 21 IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO GO. Be sure and bring food for lunch on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

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**PURPOSE:** *The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.*

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APRIL 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

- APRIL 1, Saturday. Northeastern Colorado: Jumbo Reservoir, Red Lion SWA, Tamarack Ranch SWA returning to Denver (NECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy turning overcast with sky becoming obscured by moderate rain changing to heavy snow in P.M.; Wind, NE 10-25 MPH; 40°-52° dropping to 30° in P.M.). 214 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 9 hours birding. (59 species, 5799 individuals).
- 1, Saturday. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (WGB). Leader: Warren Finch. Observers: Marilyn Clark, Hazel Kellogg, Jack Luby (Dallas, Texas), Thompson Marsh, Bob & Marty Montgomery, Tim Schowalter, Joe Ten-Brink, Kieran Tynan (Sydney, Australia), Vito Tursi, Charlene Warncke, Ruth Wheeler, Scott Yarberry. (Mostly cloudy; Wind, 5-15 MPH; 36°-46°). Zero miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (32 species, 467 individuals).
- 2, Sunday. Bear Creek-Plains Only (BC). Leader: Cal Wichern. Observers: Lynn Peterson, Hugh Ravatt, Chuck Romeo. (Clear; Wind, strong; 35°-50°). 19 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (28 species, 181 individuals).



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- APR 8, Saturday. Barr Lake State Park (BL). Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe. Observers: Josh Harris, Alan & Dee Hay, Pearl Jordan, Hazel Kellogg, Harold & Betty Oliver, Lynn Sauer, Anne Southcott, Joe TenBrink, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (Cloudy; Wind, NW 5 MPH; 36°-40°). 9 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 3.5 hours birding. (41 species, 464 individuals).
- 9, Sunday. Ponds and Lakes West of Denver (WP). Leader: Steve Williams. Observers: None. (Snowing, 3"-5" on ground; Wind, NW 15-20 MPH; 25°-30°). 31 miles by car, .5 miles on foot. 3.5 hours birding. (23 species, 425 individuals).
- 11, Tuesday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCK). Observer: Jack Reddall, Harold Holt late P.M. (Sky obscured in light to moderate snow becoming mostly cloudy by mid-afternoon; Wind, N 5-10 MPH; 34°-40°). 46 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 8 hours birding. (55 species, 1431 individuals).
- 15, Saturday. Barr Lake State Park, Lower Latham Reservoir and Lakes East of Greeley (BARR). Leader: Dick Pratt. Observers: Warren Finch, Alan Hay, Hazel Kellogg, Bob Spencer, Joe TenBrink, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (Clear to partly cloudy; 50°-60°). 200 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 8 hours birding. (69 species, 16991 individuals).
- 16, Sunday. Douglas County: Sedalia & Castlewood Canyon State Park (DC). Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Bill Brockner, Ruth Bull, Marilyn Clark, Josh Harris, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Tim Schowalter, Vito Tursi, Virgil Williams. (Clear; 40°-65°). 120 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (43 species, 206 individuals).
- 18&19, Tuesday & Wednesday. Eastern Colorado: Denver to Prospect Reservoir and farm ponds at Weld Co. Rds. 6&61 and 6&67, Muir Springs Park, Prewitt Reservoir, Wray, Beecher Island, Bonny Reservoir SRA & South Republican SWA (ECOL). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear to mostly cloudy; Wind, variable 0-10 MPH; 38°-82°). 556 miles by car, 8 miles on foot. 22 hours of birding. (88 species, 10607 individuals).
- 22, Saturday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CC). Leader: Floyd Pendell. Observers: Ursula Barsch, Marilyn Clark, Bill Fink, Scott Fitzmorris, George Hampton, Josh Harris, Pat McClearn, Liz Quiggle, Tim Schowalter, Allaire Wallace, Virgil Williams. (Partly cloudy; Wind, light; 61°-80°). 10 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (44 species, 297 individuals).
- 22&23, Saturday & Sunday. Northwestern Colorado: Denver to Fort Collins; Poudre River Canyon, Cameron Pass and Walden; Arapaho NWR, Rabbit Ears Pass, Steamboat Springs and the Hayden area; return to Denver by the same route (NWCOW). Leaders: Kathy Hawkins (DFO) & Jim Haskins (CDOW). Observers: Ruth Bull, Robin Byers, Bill & Margi Elliott, Bob Fieweg, Bill Gillespie, Alan & Dee Hay, Hazel Kellogg, Thompson Marsh, Randy Pullen, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Dorothy & Jack Reddall, Marjorie Roberts, Mary Jane Schock, Amy Young. (Clear to partly cloudy; Wind, W 0-30 MPH; 38°-75°). 570 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 24.75 hours birding. (83 species, 6170 individuals).
- 25-28, Tuesday through Friday. Southeastern Colorado: Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Castlewood Canyon State Park, Pueblo, Ordway, Lake Meredith, Lake Henry, Rocky Ford SWA, Cheraw, Lake Hasty RA, Nee-Noshe & Nee-So-Pah Reservoirs, Lamar cemetery, Two Buttes SWA, Cottonwood Canyon, Carrizo Canyon, Comanche National Grassland (SECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear to partly cloudy with blowing dust on 4-26, moderate snow on Monument Hill on 4-28; Wind, SW 15-25 MPH gusting to 40+ MPH on 4-26, E 5-15 MPH on 4-28; 40°-95°). 850 miles by car, 11 miles on foot. 47 hours birding. (123 species, 10101 individuals).



APR 29, Saturday. Rocky Mountain Arsenal (AR). Leaders: Ed Holub (DFO) & Pete Gober (USF&WS). Observers: Chris Bishop, Andy Bishop, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Don & Jo Shrode, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (Partly cloudy turning cloudy then overcast; Wind, E 2 MPH; 28°-45°). 20 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (59 species, 928 individuals).

30, Sunday. Chatfield SRA (CHAT). Leaders: Brenda Cockrell & Joey Kellner. Observers: Randy Lentz, Tim Schowalter, Steve Weiss. (Cloudy, snowing; Wind, SW 5-10 MPH; 31°-39°). 17 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (96 species, 9240 individuals).

#### APRIL 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

The results of fourteen field trips are reported in this month's Lark Bunting including ten scheduled by the Denver Field Ornithologists and another four individual trips. A total of 181 species were found during the month which included a couple of surprises.

The season's first Snowy Egrets (6) were appropriately noted at Chatfield on the snowy 30th of the month. A single Cattle Egret was seen on April 15 east of Greeley and one Green-backed Heron was observed at the Rocky Ford SWA on the 28th. The first Green-backed Heron nesting record for Colorado was located at this site on June 26, 1973. A pair of Peregrine Falcons delighted the observers who watched them circle over a known nesting site above the Poudre Canyon on April 22. A Peregrine Falcon was also reported at the Chatfield SRA on the 30th.

Currently there are thirteen species of gallinaceous birds on the state list of Colorado birds. Ten of these were recorded during April. A Chukar was seen by the field trip to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on April 29 where they are periodically released. Chukars have not established themselves on Arsenal grounds over the past twenty years and therefore must be considered only as "escapes". A Sharp-tailed Grouse lek approximately 10 miles north and east of Hayden produced up to 50 performing birds at daybreak on April 23. On the way back to town, 55 Sage Grouse were observed strutting at their lek. However, shortly after the field trip arrived at the grounds, a Great Blue Heron flew by overhead causing the birds to leave in a hurry as they must have mistaken the intruder to be a Golden Eagle. A strutting Blue Grouse performing for a nearby female finished off a spectacular early Sunday morning with the grouse. A special thank you must go to Jim Haskins of the Colorado Division of Wildlife for his excellent efforts that enabled the DFO observers to have such superb views of the strutting grouse. Fifteen Greater Prairie-Chickens were easily located performing at a lek approximately 15 miles north of Wray in Yuma County on April 19, while up to eleven Lesser Prairie-Chickens were seen at a stomping ground some 15 miles east of Campo on the evening of April 25 and again early the following morning. One male Wild Turkey was flushed in Cottonwood Canyon in Baca County on the 26th and another was spotted at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on April 29, most probably not a feral bird.

A Sandhill Crane was readily observed as she sat on a nest in a small slough some three to four miles east of Hayden along the Yampa River on the 23rd. Notable shorebirds for the month included two Snowy Plovers on the 27th at Nee-Noshe Reservoir in Kiowa County; two Upland Sandpipers along Baca County Road J eight miles east of Campo on April 25; a single Long-billed Curlew on the 19th at Bonny Reservoir SRA and one Dunlin on April 15 at Lower Latham Reservoir east of La Salle. In all, 21 species of shorebirds were recorded during the month. On April 11, the second Glaucous-winged Gull of 1989 and the second one found in less than two weeks in the state appeared at the Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA boat marina where it was subsequently seen by many observers during the next several days. The first Glaucous-winged Gull

found in the state occurred at Antero Reservoir on July 24, 1981 in Park County. The second state record occurred on March 31 of this year at Jumbo Reservoir in Sedgwick County, a first-winter immature. The bird that was seen at Cherry Creek Reservoir on April 11 was a second-winter immature. A number of excellent color photographs were obtained of the Cherry Creek gull.

An Eastern Phoebe visited the heavy wooded area below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir SWA on the 18th. And a most intriguing find for the month was a female Vermilion Flycatcher at the Chatfield SRA during a heavy snowstorm that bltzed the area on April 30. A detailed written report was submitted by the field trip leaders. A Carolina Wren was heard singing on the 8th at Barr Lake State Park but not seen-one of several reports of this rare species in Colorado during this past winter in the Denver area. Two Curve-billed Thrashers were located in a heavy stand of cholla about 2 miles north of Fowler in Crowley County just east of County Road LN 3. These birds have been resident in this area for a number of years and this sighting should serve to dispel rumors of its demise at this location. Warblers were practically non-existent during April, so 'nuff said on this matter. Finally, two male Great-tailed Grackles were foraging in a flooded field along U.S. Hwy. 50 near Fort Lyon on April 28.

| APRIL 1989            | 1    | 1   | 2  | 8  | 9  | 11  | 15   | 16 | 18&  | 22 | 22&  | 25-  | 29 | 30   |
|-----------------------|------|-----|----|----|----|-----|------|----|------|----|------|------|----|------|
| AREA COVERED          | NECO | WGB | BC | BL | WP | CCK | BARR | DC | ECOL | CC | NWCO | SECO | AR | CHAT |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED    | PLNS | PLN | PL | PL | PL | PLN | PLNS | PF | PLNS | PL | PFMT | PLFH | PL | PLNS |
| Pied-billed Grebe     |      | 1   |    | 2  | 1  | 2   |      |    | 1    |    |      |      | 5  | 6    |
| Horned Grebe          |      |     |    |    | 9  | 9   | 1    |    | 5    | 1  |      |      |    |      |
| Eared Grebe           |      |     |    |    |    | 1   |      |    | 20   |    | 20   | 1    |    |      |
| Western Grebe         | 5    |     |    | 3  |    | 80  | 26   |    | 153  | 2  | 3    | 350  | 8  | 89   |
| Clark's Grebe         |      |     |    |    |    | 1   | 5    |    | 2    |    |      | 3    |    | 1    |
| Am. White Pelican     | 15   |     |    |    |    |     | 339  |    | 95   |    |      | 55   | 2  |      |
| Double-cr. Cormorant  | 12   |     |    | 75 |    | 12  | 120  |    | 35   | 21 |      | 73   | 2  | 200  |
| Great Blue Heron      | 70N  |     | 1  | 18 |    | 32N | 115  | 9  | 12   | 12 | 4    | 20   | 6  | 81   |
| Snowy Egret           |      |     |    |    |    |     |      |    |      |    |      |      |    | 6    |
| Cattle Egret          |      |     |    |    |    |     | 1    |    |      |    |      |      |    |      |
| Green-backed Heron    |      |     |    |    |    |     |      |    |      |    |      | 1    |    |      |
| Black-cr. Night-Heron |      |     |    |    |    | 5   |      |    |      | 2  |      |      |    | 1    |
| White-faced Ibis      |      |     |    |    |    |     |      |    | 1    |    | 12   | 30   |    | 2    |
| Snow Goose            |      |     |    |    |    |     |      |    |      |    |      |      |    |      |
| "White" morph         | 300  |     |    |    |    |     |      |    | 15   |    |      | 4a1i |    |      |
| "Blue" morph          | 1    |     |    |    |    |     |      |    |      |    |      |      |    |      |
| Canada Goose          | 140  | 50  | 15 | 12 | 15 | 50  | 144  | 11 | 100  | 12 | 103  | 3    | 70 | 43   |
| Wood Duck             |      |     |    |    |    |     |      |    | 1m1f |    |      |      |    | 4m2f |
| Green-winged Teal     | 900  | 10  | 14 | 26 |    | 150 | 325  |    | 305  | 10 | 34   | 4    | 13 | 24   |
| Mallard               | 2500 | 125 | 25 | 18 | 92 | 40  | 571  | 2  | 440  | 36 | 366  | 55   | 40 | 16   |
| Northern Pintail      | 400  |     |    | 17 |    | 1ma | 72   |    | 65   |    | 52   | 6    | 5  |      |
| Blue-winged Teal      | 1ma  |     |    | 2  |    | 10  | 10   | 1  | 33   | 15 | 4    | 14   | 30 | 11   |
| Cinnamon Teal         |      |     |    | 6  |    | 15  | 8    |    | 18   | 2  | 43   | 12   |    | 5    |
| Northern Shoveler     | 100  |     | 13 | 12 | 85 | 230 | 4052 | 12 | 2950 |    | 300  | 400  | 8  | 6    |
| Gadwall               | 40   | 10  | 5  | 8  | 12 | 45  | 54   | 6  | 590  | 2  | 1200 | 22   | 18 | 5    |
| American Wigeon       | 90   | 15  |    |    | 1  | 15  | 2124 |    | 800  |    | 750  | 6    |    | 5    |
| Canvasback            | 25   |     |    |    |    | 2   |      |    | 1m1f |    | 2    |      |    |      |
| Redhead               | 80   |     |    | 6  |    | 6   | 4    |    | 2m1f |    | 40   | 7    | 5  | 3    |
| Ring-necked Duck      | 50   | 5   |    | 2  |    | 5   | 12   |    | 7    |    |      |      |    | 3ma  |
| Lesser Scaup          | 20   | 12  | 7  | 14 | 23 | 100 | 2201 |    | 760  |    | 1500 |      | 1  | 2    |
| Common Goldeneye      | 3    | 15  | 1  | 1  | 3  | 3   | 2    |    |      |    |      |      |    |      |
| Bufflehead            | 6    |     |    | 1  |    | 12  | 28   |    | 60   |    | 35   |      |    | 1m1f |
| Common Merganser      | 45   |     |    |    |    | 1fe | 36   |    | 50   |    | 14   |      |    | 10   |

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| Red-breast. Merganser                            | 4m1f              |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1m1f                      |                |                    |
| Ruddy Duck                                       | 10                |                 |               |               |               | 2                | 8                  |                | 140                       |                | 40                        | 2                         | 2              | 1                  |
| Turkey Vulture                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 4              | 3                         |                | 8                         | 37                        |                | 4                  |
| Bald Eagle                                       | 2a3i              |                 |               | 2             |               |                  | 1N                 |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Northern Harrier                                 | 2fe               |                 |               | 1             |               | 4                | 5                  |                | 1ma                       | 6              | 4                         | 1m1f                      | 2              |                    |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                               | 1ad               | 1               |               |               |               | 1                |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 1                  |
| Cooper's Hawk                                    |                   |                 | 1             |               |               |                  |                    |                | 17                        | 1              | 1                         | 1im                       |                | 1im                |
| Swainson's Hawk                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                |                           | 2              | 18                        |                           | 3              | 1                  |
| "Light" morph                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 16                        |                |                    |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 3                  |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 4                  |
| "Western" race                                   | 6                 |                 | 2             |               |               | 2                |                    | 3              | 3                         |                | 7N                        | 5                         | 9              |                    |
| "Kriger's" race                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               | 1                |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 1              | 2N                        | 1              |                           |                           | 7              |                    |
| Rough-legged Hawk                                |                   |                 |               | 3             |               |                  | 1                  |                |                           |                | 6                         |                           |                |                    |
| "Light" morph                                    | 2                 |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Golden Eagle                                     | 1im               |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 2              |                           |                | 4                         | 1ad                       | 1              |                    |
| American Kestrel                                 | 4                 | 1               | 4             | 4             | 2             | 1ma              | 8                  | 14             | 19                        | 1              | 24                        | 25                        | 13             | 3m2f               |
| Peregrine Falcon                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         |                           |                | 1ad                |
| Prairie Falcon                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           | 1              | 1                         |                           |                |                    |
| Chukar                                           |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           | 1?             |                    |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                             | 6                 |                 |               | 2H            |               | 4                | 1                  |                | 7                         | 3              |                           | 3m2f                      | 14             | 1-H                |
| Blue Grouse                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 1m1f                      |                           |                |                    |
| Sage Grouse                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 55                        |                           |                |                    |
| Gtr. Prairie-Chicken                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 15                        |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Lsr. Prairie-Chicken                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 11                        |                |                    |
| Sharp-tailed Grouse                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 50                        |                           |                |                    |
| Wild Turkey                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1ma                       | 1?             |                    |
| Northern Bobwhite                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1ma                       |                |                           | 3                         |                |                    |
| Scaled Quail                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1                         |                |                    |
| Virginia Rail                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 1-H                |
| American Coot                                    |                   | 10              |               | 20            | 7             | 75               | 4000               |                | 250                       | 6              | 800                       | 640                       | 75             | 90                 |
| Sandhill Crane                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 75                 |                |                           |                | 7N                        |                           |                |                    |
| Snowy Plover                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Semipalmated Plover                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           | 6                         | 8              | 16                 |
| Killdeer                                         | 17                |                 | 3             | 4             | 1             | 2                | 30                 | 1              | 15                        | 4              | 7                         | 45                        | 12             | 25                 |
| Mountain Plover                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 2                  |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Black-necked Stilt                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 7                         |                |                    |
| American Avocet                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 38                 |                | 100                       |                | 25                        | 12                        |                | 3                  |
| Greater Yellowlegs                               | 1                 |                 |               |               |               | 4                |                    |                | 3                         |                | 1                         | 2                         |                | 6                  |
| Lesser Yellowlegs                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 6                  |                | 15                        |                |                           |                           | 28             | 21                 |
| Solitary Sandpiper                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                | 4                  |
| Willet                                           |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 2                  |                | 5                         |                | 3                         | 12                        | 1              | 2                  |
| Spotted Sandpiper                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 9                         |                | 5                  |
| Upland Sandpiper                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Long-billed Curlew                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Marbled Godwit                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 50                        |                |                           |                           | 3              | 9                  |
| Semipalm. Sandpiper                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                |                           |                |                           | 6                         | 5              | 3                  |
| Western Sandpiper                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 13                        |                | 2                  |
| Least Sandpiper                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 35                        |                | 1                  |
| Baird's Sandpiper                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 14                        |                |                    |
| Dunlin                                           |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Peep"                                           |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 2                  |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher                            |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 3                         | 4              | 1                  |
| Common Snipe                                     |                   | 5               | 1             |               |               | 50               | 4                  |                | 1                         | 1              | 3                         |                           |                | 5                  |



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| Wilson's Phalarope                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                | 2                         |                |                           | 35                        | 8              | 25                 |
| Franklin's Gull                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 2                  |                | 100                       |                |                           | 4                         |                | 18                 |
| Bonaparte's Gull                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 22                 |                | 4                         |                |                           | 2a1i                      |                |                    |
| Ring-billed Gull                                 | 20                | 5               |               | 7             | 99            | 40               | 1118               |                | 51                        | 6              | 1                         | 21                        | 4              | 11                 |
| California Gull                                  | 15                |                 |               |               |               | 100              | 2                  |                | 40                        | 8              | 3                         | 15                        |                | 4                  |
| Herring Gull                                     | 80                |                 |               |               |               | 30               |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 4                         |                |                    |
| Thayer's Gull                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               | 1im              |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1im                       |                |                    |
| Glaucous-winged Gull                             |                   |                 |               |               |               | 1im              |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Forster's Tern                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                | 5                         |                |                           | 17                        |                | 1                  |
| Rock Dove                                        | 7                 | 10              | 3             | 10            | 12            |                  | 58                 |                | 30                        |                | 42                        | 300                       | 30             | 1                  |
| Band-tailed Pigeon                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 2              |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Mourning Dove                                    |                   |                 | 1             |               |               |                  | 10                 | 3              | 125                       | 2              | 21                        | 700                       | 58             | 4                  |
| Greater Roadrunner                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1                         |                |                    |
| Eastern Screech-Owl                              |                   | 1               |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Great Horned Owl                                 |                   | 1               | 2             |               |               | 1aN              | 1                  |                | 3a2i                      | 3N             |                           | 3a2i                      | 7              | 5                  |
| Burrowing Owl                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 4                  |                | 1                         | 1              |                           | 1                         | 3              |                    |
| Long-eared Owl                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           | 1              |                    |
| Broad-tl Hummingbird                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         |                           |                |                    |
| Belted Kingfisher                                | 2                 |                 | 2             |               | 1             | 1fe              | 3                  |                | 6                         | 1              | 4                         | 1                         | 1              | 2                  |
| Lewis' Woodpecker                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 22                        |                |                    |
| Red-naped Sapsucker                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2ma                       |                           |                |                    |
| Ladder-backed Woodpecker                         |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1ma                       |                |                    |
| Downy Woodpecker                                 |                   | 1               |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 5                         | 2              |                    |
| "Eastern" races                                  | 1ma               |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 5                         |                |                           |                           |                | 1ma                |
| Hairy Woodprcker                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 1              |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| "Eastern" races                                  | 1                 |                 |               | 4             |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Northern Flicker                                 | 10                |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  |                | 20                        | 2              |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Yellow-shaft" race                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 16                        |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Red-shafted" race                               |                   | 12              | 8             | 3             | 1             | 4                |                    | 2              |                           |                | 3                         | 8                         | 1              | 6                  |
| Eastern Phoebe                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           | 1                         |                |                    |
| Say's Phoebe                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  | 1              | 3                         |                | 4                         | 6                         |                |                    |
| Vermilion Flycatcher                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 1fe                |
| Ash-throat Flycatcher                            |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Western Kingbird                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 17                        |                |                    |
| Horned Lark                                      | 50                |                 |               |               |               |                  | 9                  | 3              | 340                       |                | 29                        | 1025                      |                | 11                 |
| Tree Swallow                                     | 5                 |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 8              |                           | 6              | 5                         |                           | 45             | 5000               |
| Violet-green Swallow                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 8              |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                | 2000               |
| No. Rough-wg Swallow                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1                         |                | 2                  |
| Bank Swallow                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                | 1                  |
| Cliff Swallow                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 645                       |                |                    |
| Barn Swallow                                     |                   |                 | 2             |               |               | 6                | 3                  |                | 1                         | 8              | 3                         | 190                       | 55             | 10                 |
| Gray Jay                                         |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         |                           |                |                    |
| Steller's Jay                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 4              |                           |                | 1                         | 5                         |                |                    |
| Blue Jay                                         | 4                 |                 |               |               |               |                  | 1                  | 1              | 14                        | 3              | 1                         | 3                         | 2              |                    |
| Scrub Jay                                        |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 5              |                           |                |                           | 4                         |                |                    |
| Clark's Nutcracker                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 1                         |                           |                |                    |
| Black-billed Magpie                              | 1                 | 40              | 15            | 16            | 7             | 35               | 5                  | 6              | 50                        | 18             | 28                        | 70                        | 28             | 53                 |
| American Crow                                    | 2                 | 4               |               |               | 4             |                  | 3                  | 3              | 4                         |                | 36                        | 21                        |                | 4                  |
| Chihuahuan Raven                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 12                        |                |                    |
| Common Raven                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 16                        | 1                         |                | 2                  |
| Black-cap. Chickadee                             | 5                 | 5               | 4             | 14            | 3             |                  |                    | 3              | 8                         | 3              | 1                         | 3                         | 2              | 33                 |
| Mountain Chickadee                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 1                         | 3                         |                |                    |



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| White-breast Nuthatch                            |                   | 2               |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Rock Wren                                        |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 12                        | 1              |                    |
| Canyon Wren                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 6                         |                |                    |
| Carolina Wren                                    |                   |                 |               | 1H            |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Bewick's Wren                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 14                        |                |                    |
| House Wren                                       |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 6                         |                | 8                  |
| Marsh Wren                                       |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| American Dipper                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         |                           |                |                    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher                            |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         |                           |                |                    |
| Eastern Bluebird                                 | 3                 |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1ma                       |                |                           |                           |                | 1ma                |
| Western Bluebird                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 5              |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 5                  |
| Mountain Bluebird                                |                   |                 |               |               |               | 15               | 1                  | 15             |                           |                | 10                        | 3m3f                      |                | 65                 |
| Hermit Thrush                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 6                         |                | 2                  |
| American Robin                                   | 140               | 15              | 10            | 11            | 9             | 6                | 8                  | 4              | 115                       | 6              | 64                        | 132                       | 29             | 350                |
| Northern Mockingbird                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 8                         |                |                    |
| Sage Thrasher                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 1                  |
| Brown Thrasher                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 6                         |                |                    |
| Curve-billed Thrasher                            |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Water Pipit                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 5                         |                | 195                |
| Loggerhead Shrike                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 6                         |                |                           | 9                         | 3              | 1                  |
| European Starling                                | 100               | 30              | 22            | 6             | 36            | 80               | 174                | 7              | 195                       | 26             | 59                        | 335                       | 18             | 29                 |
| Orange-crown Warbler                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         | 3                         |                | 3                  |
| Virginia's Warbler                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1ma                       |                |                    |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                            |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Myrtle" race                                    |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1ma                       | 2              |                           | 20                        |                | 50                 |
| "Audubon's" race                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 4ma                       |                | 1ma                       | 46                        | 17             | 190                |
| Wilson's Warbler                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1fe                       |                |                    |
| Lazuli Bunting                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 1ma                       |                | 1ma                |
| Green-tailed Towhee                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 1                         |                           |                |                    |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 5              |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 4                  |
| "Spotted" races                                  |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 12                        | 12                        |                |                    |
| Brown Towhee                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 4                         |                |                    |
| Cassin's Sparrow                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 5                         |                |                    |
| American Tree Sparrow                            |                   | 1               |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| Chipping Sparrow                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 2                         | 130                       | 1              | 110                |
| Vesper Sparrow                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               | 2                |                    |                | 30                        |                | 20                        | 190                       |                | 62                 |
| Lark Sparrow                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 19                        |                |                    |
| Lark Bunting                                     |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 265                       |                |                    |
| Savannah Sparrow                                 |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 1                  |
| Song Sparrow                                     | 1                 | 7               | 3             | 2             |               | 3                | 1                  |                | 2                         |                | 18                        | 1                         |                | 1                  |
| Lincoln's Sparrow                                |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| White-crowned Sparrow                            |                   |                 |               | 4             |               |                  | 1                  | 2              |                           |                |                           |                           |                | 8                  |
| "Gambel's" race                                  | 1im               |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 65                        |                |                           | 58                        |                |                    |
| "Eastern" race                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2                         |                |                    |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                  |                   |                 |               | 12            |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "White-winged" race                              |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Oregon" race                                    | 50                |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 2              | 1                         |                |                           |                           |                |                    |
| "Gray-headed" race                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                | 10                        | 1                         |                | 1                  |
| Red-winged Blackbird                             | 120               | 50              | 5             | 80            | 1             | 100              | 756                | 5              | 575                       | 20             | 64                        | 1310                      | 48             | 120                |
| Western Meadowlark                               | 130               |                 | 6             | 10            |               | 25               | 83                 | 17             | 700                       | 12             | 15                        | 975                       | 55             | 30                 |
| Yellow-head Blackbird                            |                   |                 |               | 1             |               | 2ma              | 110                |                | 35                        | 2              | 4                         | 10                        | 22             | 1ma                |
| Brewer's Blackbird                               |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           | 2              | 4                         |                           | 80             | 7                  |
| Great-tailed Grackle                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    |                |                           |                |                           | 2ma                       |                |                    |
| Common Grackle                                   | 20                | 4               |               | 16            | 3             | 2                | 28                 | 2              | 475                       | 20             | 78                        | 1045                      | 1              | 57                 |

| APRIL 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 1<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 1<br>WGB<br>PLN | 2<br>BC<br>PL | 8<br>BL<br>PL | 9<br>WP<br>PL | 11<br>CCK<br>PLN | 15<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 16<br>DC<br>PF | 18&<br>19<br>ECOL<br>PLNS | 22<br>CC<br>PL | 22&<br>23<br>NWCO<br>PFMT | 25-<br>28<br>SECO<br>PLFH | 29<br>AR<br>PL | 30<br>CHAT<br>PLNS |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Brown-headed Cowbird                             |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 1              | 1m1f                      | 2              | 1                         | 18                        |                |                    |
| Cassin's Finch                                   |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 1              |                           |                | 3                         |                           |                |                    |
| House Finch                                      | 25                | 2               | 4             |               | 1             |                  |                    | 6              | 45                        |                | 5                         | 30                        |                |                    |
| Pine Siskin                                      |                   |                 |               |               |               |                  |                    | 3              |                           |                | 22                        |                           |                |                    |
| American Goldfinch                               | 100               | 1               |               |               |               |                  |                    | 12             | 25                        | 1              |                           | 2                         |                | 1-H                |
| House Sparrow                                    | 40                | 15              | 2             | 8             |               |                  | 144                | 2              | 210                       |                | 14                        | 250                       | 4              |                    |
| TOTAL SPECIES-181                                | 59                | 32              | 28            | 41            | 23            | 55               | 69                 | 43             | 88                        | 44             | 83                        | 123                       | 59             | 96                 |

ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i;  
Heard Only=H; Nesting Observed=N; Probable Escape=?;  
Plains=PLNS,PLN,PL,P; Foothills=FH,F; Mountains=MT.

ADDITIONAL APRIL 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

1. Individual "Additional Reports" of interesting sightings made during the month are welcomed. However, the Editor reserves the right to publish only those reports that are deemed as unusual/rare or as augmenting the reports submitted by field trip leaders from scheduled Denver Field Ornithologists' field trips. Sightings reported to the Colorado Bird Report will not be published in the Lark Bunting unless reported to the Editor in writing as stipulated below.
2. Individual "Additional Reports" should be submitted in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List (1983, 1985 & 1987) order and include the date(s) of observation, number of birds seen, sex and plumage if possible and specific location. Please refer to the Supplement to the Lark Bunting, Volume 21, Number 3, (December 1985) for instructions on preparing written documentation to support observations of extremely rare or accidental species as well as for those species that pose difficult field identification problems and for any species never recorded before in Colorado.
3. Deadline for receipt of all individual "Additional Reports" is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the current month.
4. Send your "Additional Reports" to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street Englewood, Colorado 80111.

Snowy Egret 4-13 (1) South Platte River at Hamilton & South Platte River Drive, Denver (TJ).  
Snow Goose 4-11 (3000) Nee-Noshe Reservoir, Kiowa County (PH).  
Wood Duck 4-25 (1 female with 9 young) lake at Hampden Ave. & University Blvd. (PH).  
Red-breasted Merganser 4-13 (3 males, 2 females) McLellan Reservoir, Arapahoe County (TJ).  
Osprey 4-7 (3) Chatfield SRA, Jefferson County (AS).  
Blue Grouse 4-15 (1 male, 1 female) Apex Park, Jefferson County (RL).  
Mountain Plover 4-16 (2 adults) Pawnee National Grassland at County Roads 45 & 122, Weld County (JR, NW).  
Black-necked Stilt 4-22 (1) farm pond at Weld County Roads 6&61 (BC, JK).  
Long-billed Curlew 4-16 (1) Pawnee National Grassland at County Roads 45 & 122, Weld Co. (NW).  
Dunlin 4-15 (1) observed below Prospect Reservoir Dam, Weld Co. (BF).

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Red-necked Phalarope 4-12 (1) Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (BC, JK).  
Great Black-backed Gull 4-10 (1 third winter immature) farm pond 11 miles east of Eaton along County Road 59, Weld Co. (JH). Written documentation submitted (JH).  
Burrowing Owl 4-19 (2) Chatfield SRA, Douglas Co. (BC, JK).  
Long-eared Owl 4-10 (3 adults-one bird on nest, two others flushed from a low perch approximately 150 feet away) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (RL); 4-10 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale, Weld Co. (JH); 4-16 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale (JR, NW); 4-27 (1 female on nest) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (RL).  
Northern Saw-whet Owl 4-5 (1 adult at possible nest hole) Castlewood Canyon State Park, Douglas Co. (JR); 4-23 (1 adult repeatedly flying to a nest hole) Castlewood Canyon State Park (RL).  
Williamson's Sapsucker 4-5 (1 male, 1 female) Genesee Mountain Park, Jefferson Co. (JR).  
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher 4-28 (1) about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of intersection of Roxborough Rd. and Titan Rd., Douglas Co. (BC, JK).  
Chihuahuan Raven 4-8 (1 seen and heard calling) Waterton Bridge, Jefferson Co. (BC, JK).  
Harris' Sparrow 4-26 (2, breeding plumage) Chatfield SRA (BC, JK).  
McCown's Longspur 4-16 (800) intersection of County Roads 124&75, Weld Co. (JR, NW).  
Chestnut-collared Longspur 4-16 (10 pair) Pawnee National Grassland, County Road 114 and U.S. Hwy. 85, Weld Co. (JR, NW).  
White-winged Crossbill 4-17 (1 male, 1 female) Cameron Pass, Larimer Co. (TJ).  
Pine Siskin 4-30 (1) at feeder, 2025 S. Monroe, Denver (TJ). Only one seen all winter at this person's feeder!  
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#### COLORADO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

MAY 20&21 Southeast Grasslands/Purgatorie Canyon/Comanche NG. Leader: Rick Brune. Call 238-5078 for information.  
MAY 27-29 West central Colorado/Grand Junction region. Leaders: Joanne Young & Jeff Dawson. Call 722-6758 for information.  
JUNE 10 Nature Conservancy's Phantom Canyon Preserve near Ft. Collins. Leader: Alan Carpenter (444-2950-work OR 443-8094-home). Limit to 14.  
JUNE 18 Middle Park endemics/Looking at endangered & threatened species. Leader: John Anderson. Call Jeff Dawson (722-6758 for information)  
JUNE 20-23 Yampa River Raft Trip. Leader: Tamara Naumann (440-8933).  
JULY 8 or 9 Pueblo West/ Arkansas Valley. Leader: Jim Borland (329-9198). Limit is 25.

NOTE: For additional July & August trips call Jeff Dawson (722-6758) or Tina Jones (759-9701).

OCT. 7 Colorado Native Plant Society Annual Meeting in Golden.

The COLORADO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY is a non-profit organization dedicated to the appreciation and conservation of Colorado native flora. Participation in all activities is open to all persons who are interested. The Colorado Native Plant Society has monthly chapter meetings. All are welcome and you do not have to be member of the society to attend. Denver Chapter meetings are at 7:30 P.M. at the Denver Botanic Gardens on the 4th Wednesday of the month from September to May. Boulder Chapter meetings are at 7:30 P.M. at the Foothills Nature Center on Broadway in Boulder on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (call 447-1899 or 494-1640). For Fort Collins Chapter meetings, call 493-2142.



REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

APRIL 4. LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN NATURE CENTER TRAIL. Leader: Ann Bonnell.  
Observers: 52.

Turkey Vulture 1, Red-tailed Hawk 1, American Kestrel 1, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 1, Steller's Jay 1, Black-billed Magpie 1, American Crow 4, Black-capped Chickadee 1, Mountain Chickadee 8, Pygmy Nuthatch 1, Mountain Bluebird 4, American Robin 1, Dark-eyed Junco 15, House Finch 2.  
(14 species, 42 individuals.)

APRIL 11, CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 41.

Pied-billed Grebe 1, Horned Grebe 5, Western Grebe 13, Double-crest. Cormorant 148, Great Blue Heron 102, Canada Goose 23 (one female in tree on old Magpie nest), Green-winged Teal 67, Mallard 21, Northern Pintail 5, Blue-winged Teal 2, Cinnamon Teal 4, Northern Shoveler 35, American Wigeon 12, Ring-necked Duck 16, Lesser Scaup 6, Bufflehead 8, Common Merganser 4, Turkey Vulture 9, Osprey 6, Northern Harrier 1, Red-tailed Hawk 5, Ferruginous Hawk 1, American Kestrel 17, American Coot 1, Killdeer 8, Lesser Yellowlegs 1, Willet 1, Common Snipe 27, Ring-billed Gull 13, Rock Dove 15, Great Horned Owl 2 (mother and owlet in nest), Burrowing Owl 1, Belted Kingfisher 4, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 12, Horned Lark 2, Swallow (sp?) 47, Barn Swallow 1, Black-billed Magpie 99, American Crow 3, Common Raven 4, Mountain Bluebird 330, American Robin 63, European Starling 135, Dark-eyed Junco 30, Red-winged Blackbird 213, Western Meadowlark 23, Yellow-headed Blackbird 1. (47 species, 1547 individuals.)

APRIL 18, WILLOW SPRINGS RANCH. Leaders: Betty Hardwood and Ronda Woodward. Observers: 41.

Canada Goose 2, Mallard 6, Turkey Vulture 10, Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Northern Goshawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 2, Golden Eagle 3, Mourning Dove 2, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 1, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 2, Barn Swallow 1, Steller's Jay 1, Scrub Jay 13, Black-billed Magpie 9, American Crow 8, Black-capped Chickadee 16, Mountain Chickadee 4, Mountain Bluebird 2, American Robin 1, Rufus-sided Towhee 13, White-crowned Sparrow 3, Dark-eyed Junco "Pink-sided" 2 "Gray-headed" 2, Western Meadowlark 3, House Finch 7, Pine Siskin 1, American Goldfinch 1. (26 species, 117 individuals.)

APRIL 25. LOWER AND UPPER WHITE RANCH. Leader: Else VanErp. Observers: 19  
(Members who did not go to Springfield to see Lesser Prairie Chickens).

Mallard 2, Turkey Vulture 1, Cooper's Hawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 2, Hawk (sp.?) 1, American Kestrel 1, Wild Turkey 2, Rock Dove 10, Mourning Dove 4, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 4, Downy Woodpecker 1, Hairy Woodpecker 4, Tree Sparrow 1, Barn Swallow 1, Steller's Jay 14, Black-billed Magpie 12, American Crow 6, Common Raven 1, Black-capped Chickadee 8, Mountain Chickadee 1, Ruby-crowned Kinglet 2, Mountain Bluebird 10, Townsend's Solitaire 2, American Robin 4, European Starling 20, Orange-crowned Warbler 1, Yellow-rumped Warbler "Myrtle" 4 "Audubon's" 12, Rufus-sided Towhee 4, Song Sparrow 4, White-crowned Sparrow 4, Red-winged Blackbird 4, Western Meadowlark 8. (32 species, 156 individuals.)

Tuesday Birders - cont.

APRIL 24-25-26. DENVER-SPRINGFIELD VIA KIOWA, LIMON, NES NOSHE RES. TWO BUTTES RES., BOOMING GROUNDS AT CAMPO, CIMARRON RIVER, CARRIZO CANYON, LA JUNTA TO LIMON. Leaders: Mirie Austin/Ann Bonnell. Observers: 27.

Am. White Pelican 8, Snow Goose 300, Canada Goose 2, Green-winged Teal 3, Mallard 11, Northern Pintail 2, Blue-winged Teal 4, Northern Shoveler 6, Gadwall 8, American Wigeon 4, Redhead 2, Ring-necked Duck 4, Lesser Scaup 4, Turkey Vulture 11, Northern Harrier 5, Swainson's Hawk 50, Red-tailed Hawk 3, Ferruginous Hawk 4, Rough-legged Hawk 1, American Kestrel 42, Prairie Falcon 1, Ring-necked Pheasant 5, Lsr. Prairie Chicken 11, Wild Turkey 5, Scaled Quail 7, Virginia Rail 2, American Coot 2, Killdeer 14, Mountain Plover 3, American Avocet 20, Long-billed Curlew 23, Long-billed Dowitcher 1, Common Snipe 1, Franklin's Gull 1, Ring-billed Gull 3, Rock Dove 307, Mourning Dove 56, Greater Roadrunner 2, Common Barn-owl 1, Great Horned Owl 2 adult/2 owlets, Burrowing Owl 9, Long-eared Owl 1, Belted Kingfisher 3, Lewis' Woodpecker 18, Downy Woodpecker 2, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 2, Ash-throated Flycatcher 1, Western Kingbird 8, Eastern Kingbird 1, Horned Lark 4, 300, No. Rough-winged Swallow 1, Cliff Swallow 3, Barn Swallow 10, Blue Jay 1, Pinyon Jay 1, Black-billed Magpie 33, American Crow 15, Chihuahuan Raven 11, Common Raven 6, Canyon Wren 2, Bewick's Wren 3, Marsh Wren 1, Hermit Thrush 1, American Robin 27, Northern Mockingbird 9, Water Pipit 6, Loggerhead Shrike 23, European Starling 27, Yellow-rumped Warbler 18, Chipping Sparrow 7, Vesper Sparrow 35, Lark Sparrow 4, Lark Bunting 240, White-crowned Sparrow 9, Red-winged Blackbird 83, Western Meadowlark 3, 475, Yellow-headed Blackbird 13, Brewer's Blackbird 107, Common Grackle 478, Brown-headed Cowbird 3, House Finch 5, American Goldfinch 6, House Sparrow 30. (83 species, 9,981 individuals.)

Monna Krebs (compiler)

DFO UPPER TEXAS COAST FIELD TRIP: Leader: Bob Righter. Participants: Linda Metcalf, Jan Justice, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Phil Hayes, Anne Southcott, Carly Warren. Highlights: A real Texas "Fallout"! 198 species including Sprague's Pipit, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, Swainson's Warber, Bachman's Sparrow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NOTICES

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For one-time failures to receive the Lark Bunting, please contact the Editor, Jack Reddall (Tel. 771-5308) who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the Lark Bunting two months in a row, please contact the Treasurer, Mr. Alan Hay - 6361 Brooks Drive, Arvada, Colorado 80004 IN WRITING who will investigate the problem for corrective action.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT

The Denver Field Ornithologists wish to acknowledge the following individuals for their generous contributions to the Colorado Bird Report (423-5582): Martha J. Kasza, Thompson Marsh, Don & Diana Mullineaux. Thank you.

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DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 1989

TRANSPORTATION COSTS ON FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on Denver Field Ornithologists' scheduled field trips with those who drive. Suggested cost is 10¢ per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

CARPOOLING URGED ON FIELD TRIPS

All Denver Field Ornithologists are urged to carpool wherever possible when going on field trips to help to conserve energy. If you contemplate going on any of the scheduled field trips listed below, please contact the Leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling.

SUGGESTIONS TO LEADERS

Take the initiative in arranging for carpooling. Be sure the drivers know the route to be taken so no one gets lost. Arrange for a rest stop by noon. Make an attempt to see that all members of the group see the birds observed. Obtain some copies of the "Denver Field Ornithologists-Membership Information" handout sheet to give to prospective new members participating in your field trip. Call Alan Hay (422-0239) to obtain copies.

PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.

- JUNE 3, Saturday. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM & DEER CREEK. Leader: Bobbie Ausfahl (798-0552). Meet at the Bear Valley Shopping Center, southwest section at South Federal Blvd. just north of Hampden Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 285) at 7:30 A.M. \*
- 4, Sunday. PAWNEE NATIONAL GRASSLAND (WITH SOME BIRDING ENROUTE). Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History. \*
- 7, Wednesday. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Anne Southcott (979-1455). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Park-and-Ride on South Wadsworth Blvd. just south of Hampden Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*
- 10, Saturday. ELDORA, ARAPAHOE RANCH, HESSIE AREA ABOVE NEDERLAND. Leader: Bob Jickling (499-4977). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Wheat Ridge Methodist Church at 38th and Vance (one block east of Wadsworth Blvd.). Meet Leader at 7:15 A.M. at Basemar Shopping Center in Boulder, southeast corner of Baseline Road and Broadway (Colo. Hwy. 93). \*



- 3 JUNE 11, Sunday. APEX TRAIL. Leader: Dick Schottler (278-8035). Meet at 6:00 A.M. at Apex Open Space parking lot north of Heritage Square. Entrance off Colo. Hwy. 93 just north of junction with U.S. Hwy. 40. Uphill hike. Bring water to carry. Blue Grouse possible. \*
- 14, Wednesday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Glenn & Jeane Hageman (322-6589). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip. Lunch is optional.
- 17, Saturday. LONGMONT-LYONS AREA. Leader: Bill Prather (1-776-2191). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot at the Denver Museum of Natural History. Meet Leader at 7:30 A.M. at the Jim Hamm Nature Area on the Boulder/Weld County Line Road south of Colo. Hwy. 66 (west of Union Reservoir). \*
- 18, Sunday. No Trip Scheduled.
- 21, Wednesday. CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Phil Hayes (232-7421). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the West Gate to the SRA.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip. Lunch is optional.
- 24, Saturday. PHANTOM CANYON (NATURE CONSERVANCY). Phantom Canyon is on the North Fork of the Cache la Poudre River and was visited and its beauty described by John Charles Fremont in July 1843. It is one of the last major canyons in Colorado to have survived without roads and remained in its natural condition. Nesting Lewis' Woodpeckers were observed last summer. Leaders: Steve Williams for the DFO (477-0118) & Alan Carpenter for the Nature Conservancy. Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot of the Denver Museum of Natural History to carpool. You must call the Leader if you are going as only 15 participants are permitted. \*
- 25, Sunday. BEAR CREEK, PLAINS TO FOOTHILLS. Leader: Cal Wichern (693-3718). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the Bear Valley Shopping Center, southwest section near the Burlington Coat Factory, South Federal Blvd. just north of Hampden Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*

PLEASE NOTE: Warner Reeser is not available for a field trip to the Rocky Mountain National Park this summer.

ALSO, be watching for a weekend trip to North Park in July.

CFO Field Trip: Evergreen Area Specialties. Leader: Bill Brockner (674-4851).

\*-BRING LUNCH

SUBMITTED BY: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

FIELD TRIP COORDINATORS

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LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT-DFO FIELD TRIPS FOR 1988 SUMMARIZED

(Compiled by Phil Hayes)

| MONTH     | NUMBER OF<br>FIELD<br>TRIPS |      | MILES<br>COVERED<br>BY CAR |      | MILES<br>COVERED<br>ON FOOT |       | HOURS<br>SPENT<br>BIRDING |        | NUMBER OF<br>OBSERVERS |      |
|-----------|-----------------------------|------|----------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-------|---------------------------|--------|------------------------|------|
|           | 1987                        | 1988 | 1987                       | 1988 | 1987                        | 1988  | 1987                      | 1988   | 1987                   | 1988 |
| January   | 9                           | 10   | 467                        | 363  | 20.0                        | 16.5  | 51.50                     | 54.00  | 76                     | 81   |
| February  | 8                           | 7    | 264                        | 316  | 25.8                        | 18.5  | 53.00                     | 44.25  | 76                     | 63   |
| March     | 8                           | 7    | 564                        | 430  | 21.5                        | 21.0  | 54.00                     | 48.50  | 76                     | 85   |
| April     | 7                           | 8    | 735                        | 1077 | 23.0                        | 28.0  | 59.50                     | 72.00  | 86                     | 107  |
| May       | 6                           | 6    | 555                        | 281  | 22.0                        | 16.5  | 31.00                     | 43.50  | 106                    | 63   |
| June      | 12                          | 15   | 763                        | 692  | 35.7                        | 41.0  | 86.50                     | 99.00  | 137                    | 137  |
| July      | 10                          | 11   | 655                        | 566  | 17.5                        | 34.0  | 71.00                     | 105.00 | 77                     | 124  |
| August    | 10                          | 8    | 930                        | 669  | 26.5                        | 25.0  | 84.50                     | 65.00  | 84                     | 100  |
| September | 6                           | 6    | 1128                       | 1092 | 18.5                        | 16.0  | 65.00                     | 64.50  | 100                    | 72   |
| October   | 9                           | 10   | 657                        | 448  | 25.5                        | 30.0  | 59.00                     | 72.50  | 132                    | 113  |
| November  | 8                           | 10   | 360                        | 599  | 11.5                        | 24.5  | 41.75                     | 71.50  | 70                     | 102  |
| December  | 2                           | 2    | 50                         | 71   | 4.5                         | 5.0   | 16.00                     | 17.50  | 22                     | 20   |
| TOTALS    | 95                          | 100  | 7128                       | 6604 | 252.0                       | 276.0 | 672.25                    | 757.25 | 1042                   | 1067 |
| AVE./TRIP | --                          | --   | 75.0                       | 66.0 | 2.7                         | 2.8   | 7.1                       | 7.6    | 11.0                   | 10.7 |

During 1988, the Denver Field Ornithologists conducted 100 scheduled field trips (excluding the Spring, Fall and Christmas Counts) which were participated in by 1067 people including the leaders. A total of 6604 miles were driven by car and a total of 276 miles were covered on foot on these field trips. In addition, 757.25 hours were spent in the field birdwatching. Thus, the average scheduled field trip lasted 7.6 hours, covered roughly 69 miles (66 by car, 3 on foot) and was attended by 10.7 leaders and observers. The 100 scheduled field trips accounted for 272 species which was down 12 species from the 1987 total of 284. Included in the above total were 164 species recorded on field trips to the Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, 150 species recorded on trips to the Chatfield SRA and 137 species on Barr Lake State Park field trips. A grand total of 328 species were reported in 1988 in the Lark Bunting from all sources, i.e., scheduled DFO Field Trips, individual field trips; Spring, Fall and Christmas Counts and from "Additional Reports".

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SPECIES SEEN ON 1988 FIELD TRIPS AND NUMBER OF TRIPS EACH SPECIES SEEN PER MONTH

| SPECIES                     | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | YEAR |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Common Loon                 |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 5   |     | 8    |
| Pied-billed Grebe           | 2   | 1   | 1   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 5   | 2   | 7   | 5   |     | 32   |
| Horned Grebe                |     |     | 3   | 5   |     |     |     |     |     | 6   | 5   |     | 19   |
| Eared Grebe                 |     |     |     | 4   |     | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 2   | 1   |     | 13   |
| Western Grebe               | 1   |     | 1   | 5   | 1   | 5   | 4   | 4   | 1   | 5   | 7   | 1   | 35   |
| Clark's Grebe               |     |     |     | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 3   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 12   |
| American White Pelican      |     |     |     | 2   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     | 1   | 16   |
| Double-crested Cormorant    | 1   |     |     | 4   | 4   | 9   | 6   | 5   | 3   | 5   | 3   | 1   | 41   |
| Olivaceous Cormorant        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| American Bittern            |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 4    |
| Great Blue Heron            | 3   | 1   | 3   | 6   | 4   | 9   | 4   | 5   | 1   | 5   | 5   | 1   | 47   |
| Great Egret                 |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Snowy Egret                 |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Little Blue Heron           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Cattle Egret                |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron   | 1   |     | 2   |     | 1   | 6   | 5   | 3   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 22   |
| Yellow-crowned Night-Heron  |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| White-faced Ibis            |     |     |     | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Tundra Swan                 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1    |
| Greater White-fronted Goose |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1    |
| Snow Goose                  |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     | 5    |
| Canada Goose                | 8   | 6   | 6   | 8   | 5   | 7   | 6   | 4   | 2   | 9   | 9   | 2   | 72   |
| Wood Duck                   |     | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2   |     | 2   | 2   |     | 15   |
| Green-winged Teal           | 8   | 3   | 6   | 6   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 3   | 1   | 6   | 6   | 2   | 45   |
| Mallard                     | 8   | 6   | 6   | 8   | 5   | 14  | 9   | 6   | 4   | 10  | 9   | 2   | 87   |
| Northern Pintail            | 1   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 5   |     | 29   |
| Blue-winged Teal            |     |     | 1   | 4   | 2   | 5   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 13   |
| Cinnamon Teal               |     |     | 1   | 4   | 1   | 5   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 13   |
| Northern Shoveler           | 5   | 2   | 3   | 6   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 2   |     | 6   | 5   | 1   | 37   |
| Gadwall                     | 4   | 3   | 5   | 6   | 3   | 6   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 7   | 8   | 2   | 51   |
| American Wigeon             | 3   | 2   | 4   | 6   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 8   | 7   | 2   | 42   |
| Canvasback                  | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 4   | 4   |     | 15   |
| Redhead                     | 3   | 3   | 6   | 5   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 5   | 7   |     | 36   |
| Ring-necked Duck            | 4   | 3   | 5   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 5   | 5   |     | 28   |
| Greater Scaup               | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Lesser Scaup                | 3   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 3   | 3   | 1   | 27   |
| Common Goldeneye            | 5   | 3   | 4   | 4   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 7   | 2   | 26   |
| Bufflehead                  | 2   | 1   | 3   | 4   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 4   | 7   | 2   | 25   |
| Hooded Merganser            | 2   | 3   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 6   | 1   | 15   |
| Common Merganser            | 5   | 5   | 4   | 3   |     |     | 2   |     |     |     | 4   | 1   | 24   |
| Red-breasted Merganser      | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 3   | 1   | 6    |
| Ruddy Duck                  |     |     | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   | 3   | 2   |     | 5   | 3   |     | 20   |
| Turkey Vulture              |     |     | 1   | 3   | 2   | 7   | 1   | 2   | 3   |     |     |     | 19   |
| Osprey                      |     |     |     | 2   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 2   |     |     | 6    |
| Mississippi Kite            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Bald Eagle                  | 3   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     | 10   |
| Northern Harrier            | 2   |     | 3   | 5   | 3   | 1   | 5   | 3   | 4   | 6   | 8   | 1   | 41   |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk          | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 2   |     | 1   | 3   | 2   | 2   |     | 14   |
| Cooper's Hawk               | 2   | 1   |     |     | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   |     |     | 13   |
| Northern Goshawk            |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Broad-winged Hawk           |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Swainson's Hawk             |     |     |     | 6   | 4   | 7   | 6   | 4   | 3   | 1   |     |     | 31   |
| Red-tailed Hawk             | 7   | 5   | 6   | 6   | 2   | 5   | 7   | 7   | 5   | 9   | 9   | 2   | 70   |
| Ferruginous Hawk            | 3   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   |     | 1   | 2   | 5   | 4   | 2   | 24   |
| Rough-legged Hawk           | 2   | 1   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 5   | 1   | 12   |
| Golden Eagle                | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     | 14   |



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| American Kestrel       | 7   | 6   | 4   | 8   | 4   | 7   | 8   | 5   | 6   | 8   | 9   | 2   | 74   |
| Merlin                 |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     | 4    |
| Peregrine Falcon       |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Prairie Falcon         | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   |     | 4   |     | 1   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 19   |
| Chukar                 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1    |
| Ring-necked Pheasant   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 4   | 1   | 21   |
| Blue Grouse            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Sage Grouse            |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Sharp-tailed Grouse    |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Wild Turkey            |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     | 1   |     | 4    |
| Northern Bobwhite      |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Scaled Quail           |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Virginia Rail          |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 3   |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 12   |
| Sora                   |     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     | 8    |
| American Coot          | 3   | 4   | 6   | 7   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 4   | 2   | 7   | 8   | 1   | 53   |
| Sandhill Crane         |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Black-bellied Plover   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1    |
| Snowy Plover           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Semipalmated Plover    |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 2   |     | 1   |     |     | 4    |
| Killdeer               | 4   | 1   | 5   | 4   | 4   | 9   | 6   | 5   | 4   | 7   | 7   | 2   | 63   |
| Mountain Plover        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Black-necked Stilt     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| American Avocet        |     |     |     | 3   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 12   |
| Greater Yellowlegs     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     |     | 2   | 3   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 11   |
| Lesser Yellowlegs      |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     | 3   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 10   |
| Solitary Sandpiper     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Willet                 |     |     |     | 2   |     | 1   | 6   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 10   |
| Spotted Sandpiper      |     |     |     |     | 4   | 6   |     | 4   |     | 1   |     |     | 15   |
| Upland Sandpiper       |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Long-billed Curlew     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 3    |
| Marbled Godwit         |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 4   | 1   |     |     |     | 6    |
| Sanderling             |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Western Sandpiper      |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 6    |
| Least Sandpiper        |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 8    |
| Baird's Sandpiper      |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 8    |
| Pectoral Sandpiper     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 3   |     |     | 4    |
| Dunlin                 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1    |
| Stilt Sandpiper        |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 4    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher  |     |     |     | 3   | 2   |     | 1   | 3   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 12   |
| Common Snipe           | 5   | 2   | 2   | 4   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 6   | 4   | 2   | 32   |
| Wilson's Phalarope     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 2   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     |     | 10   |
| Red-necked Phalarope   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Red Phalarope          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1    |
| Franklin's Gull        |     |     |     | 4   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 2   | 3   |     |     | 20   |
| Little Gull            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1    |
| Bonaparte's Gull       |     |     |     | 2   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   |     | 5    |
| Mew Gull               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2    |
| Ring-billed Gull       | 6   | 6   | 5   | 6   | 5   | 5   | 2   | 5   | 3   | 9   | 8   | 2   | 62   |
| California Gull        |     |     | 2   | 4   | 1   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 4   | 4   | 2   | 28   |
| Herring Gull           | 4   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 4   | 1   | 16   |
| Thayer's Gull          |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 3    |
| Glaucous Gull          |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Common Tern            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Forster's Tern         |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 13   |
| Black Tern             |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 6    |
| Rock Dove              | 10  | 6   | 5   | 8   | 5   | 9   | 6   | 4   | 4   | 9   | 8   | 2   | 76   |
| Band-tailed Pigeon     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 3    |

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| Mourning Dove                 |     |     | 1   | 6   | 4   | 12  | 8   | 6   | 4   | 3   | 1   |     | 45   |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo          |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 4    |
| Greater Roadrunner            |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Common Barn-Owl               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Eastern Screech-Owl           |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1    |
| Western Screech-Owl           |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Great Horned Owl              | 4   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 1   | 38   |
| Burrowing Owl                 |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 7    |
| Long-eared Owl                | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 3    |
| Short-eared Owl               |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Common Nighthawk              |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 6   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 13   |
| Common Poorwill               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     | 2    |
| Chimney Swift                 |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| White-throated Swift          |     |     |     | 1   |     | 3   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Calliope Hummingbird          |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird      |     |     |     | 1   |     | 9   | 7   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     | 23   |
| Rufous Hummingbird            |     |     |     |     |     |     | 3   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Belted Kingfisher             | 4   | 2   | 2   | 6   | 3   | 8   | 6   | 6   | 2   | 7   | 6   | 1   | 53   |
| Lewis' Woodpecker             |     |     | 1   | 1   |     | 1   | 1   |     | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 10   |
| Red-headed Woodpecker         |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 4    |
| Red-naped Sapsucker           |     |     |     | 1   |     | 3   | 5   | 3   | 2   | 1   |     |     | 15   |
| Williamson's Sapsucker        |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 10   |
| Ladder-backed Woodpecker      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Downy Woodpecker              | 7   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 3   | 5   | 4   | 5   | 3   | 9   | 6   | 2   | 62   |
| Hairy Woodpecker              |     | 4   | 1   | 3   | 1   | 3   | 2   |     | 3   | 1   | 1   |     | 18   |
| Northern Flicker              | 10  | 7   | 7   | 8   | 4   | 13  | 10  | 7   | 5   | 10  | 9   | 2   | 92   |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher        |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 4   | 1   |     |     |     | 8    |
| Western Wood-Pewee            |     |     |     |     | 2   | 13  | 8   | 8   | 4   |     | 1   |     | 36   |
| Willow Flycatcher             |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Least Flycatcher              |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     | 1   | 2   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Hammond's Flycatcher          |     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Dusky Flycatcher              |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 6    |
| Western Flycatcher            |     |     |     |     | 1   | 5   | 4   | 3   | 1   |     |     |     | 14   |
| Eastern Phoebe                |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Say's Phoebe                  |     |     | 1   | 3   |     | 2   |     | 1   | 2   |     |     |     | 9    |
| Great Crested Flycatcher      |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Cassin's Kingbird             |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Western Kingbird              |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 6   | 4   | 3   | 3   |     |     |     | 19   |
| Eastern Kingbird              |     |     |     |     | 1   | 6   | 3   | 4   | 1   |     |     |     | 15   |
| Horned Lark                   | 4   |     | 3   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 5   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 4   |     | 34   |
| Tree Swallow                  |     |     | 1   | 2   | 2   | 7   | 5   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 18   |
| Violet-green Swallow          |     |     |     | 3   | 2   | 7   | 5   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 19   |
| Northern Rough-winged Swallow |     |     |     | 2   | 2   | 4   | 4   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 13   |
| Bank Swallow                  |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 4   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 8    |
| Cliff Swallow                 |     |     |     |     | 3   | 10  | 7   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 21   |
| Barn Swallow                  |     |     |     | 4   | 4   | 13  | 7   | 7   | 3   | 2   |     |     | 40   |
| Gray Jay                      |     |     |     |     |     |     | 3   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Steller's Jay                 | 2   | 3   | 3   | 2   |     | 6   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 3   |     | 34   |
| Blue Jay                      | 2   | 3   | 3   | 4   |     | 2   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 6   | 5   | 1   | 33   |
| Scrub Jay                     | 1   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 3   | 4   |     |     | 3   | 3   | 2   |     | 25   |
| Clark's Nutcracker            |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 3   | 2   |     | 1   |     |     | 8    |
| Black-billed Magpie           | 10  | 7   | 7   | 8   | 5   | 15  | 11  | 7   | 5   | 10  | 10  | 2   | 97   |
| American Crow                 | 4   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 2   | 8   | 4   | 5   | 3   | 6   | 5   | 2   | 54   |
| Chihuahuan Raven              |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Common Raven                  | 2   | 6   | 4   | 5   |     | 5   | 6   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 2   |     | 37   |
| Black-capped Chickadee        | 9   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 4   | 10  | 6   | 5   | 5   | 9   | 8   | 2   | 79   |
| Mountain Chickadee            |     | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 6   | 6   | 4   | 2   | 3   | 3   |     | 30   |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch         |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 1   | 3   |     | 1   |     |     | 8    |

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| White-breasted Nuthatch | 1   | 4   | 4   | 3   |     | 4   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 3   |     | 30   |
| Pygmy Nuthatch          |     | 3   | 1   | 2   |     | 5   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 3   | 1   |     | 24   |
| Brown Creeper           | 4   | 2   | 5   |     |     |     | 2   | 1   |     |     | 2   | 1   | 17   |
| Rock Wren               |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     | 9    |
| Canyon Wren             |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 5    |
| Carolina Wren           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Bewick's Wren           |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     | 3    |
| House Wren              |     |     |     | 2   | 4   | 15  | 10  | 6   | 2   |     |     |     | 39   |
| Marsh Wren              |     | 1   |     |     | 1   | 2   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 5    |
| American Dipper         | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   |     | 2   | 2   | 2   |     | 2   | 2   |     | 23   |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet  |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     | 4    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet    |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 5   | 1   | 3   | 5   |     |     | 18   |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2   |     | 1   |     | 3    |
| Eastern Bluebird        | 1   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 3    |
| Western Bluebird        |     |     |     | 3   | 1   | 3   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 9    |
| Mountain Bluebird       | 1   |     | 3   | 5   | 1   | 5   | 6   | 2   | 4   | 1   |     |     | 28   |
| Townsend's Solitaire    | 2   | 4   | 4   | 2   |     | 4   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 3   | 3   |     | 31   |
| Veery                   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Swainson's Thrush       |     |     |     |     | 2   | 3   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 8    |
| Hermit Thrush           |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 10   |
| American Robin          | 4   | 5   | 7   | 8   | 5   | 15  | 11  | 7   | 6   | 8   | 8   | 2   | 83   |
| Gray Catbird            |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 6    |
| Northern Mockingbird    |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 3    |
| Sage Thrasher           |     |     | 1   | 3   |     |     | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 8    |
| Brown Thrasher          | 1   |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2   |     |     |     | 8    |
| Water Pipit             |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1   | 1   | 3   | 1   |     | 7    |
| Bohemian Waxwing        | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Cedar Waxwing           |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 6    |
| Northern Shrike         | 2   | 5   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 6   | 1   | 15   |
| Loggerhead Shrike       |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 7    |
| European Starling       | 9   | 7   | 6   | 8   | 5   | 14  | 9   | 5   | 5   | 9   | 8   | 2   | 87   |
| Bell's Vireo            |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Solitary Vireo          |     |     |     |     |     | 3   | 2   |     | 2   |     |     |     | 7    |
| Warbling Vireo          |     |     |     |     | 1   | 7   | 5   | 3   | 2   |     |     |     | 18   |
| Red-eyed Vireo          |     |     |     |     |     | 3   |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 5    |
| Tennessee Warbler       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Orange-crowned Warbler  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   |     |     | 4    |
| Virginia's Warbler      |     |     |     |     | 1   | 4   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 6    |
| Yellow Warbler          |     |     |     |     | 3   | 9   | 6   | 4   | 1   |     |     |     | 23   |
| Chestnut-sided Warbler  |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Magnolia Warbler        |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 2    |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   |     |     | 1   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 7   | 3   | 4   | 7   |     |     | 32   |
| Townsend's Warbler      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 2    |
| Blackpoll Warbler       |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     | 2    |
| Black-and-white Warbler |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| American Redstart       |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 4    |
| MacGillivray's Warbler  |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Common Yellowthroat     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 6   | 5   | 2   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 17   |
| Wilson's Warbler        |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 2   |     |     | 16   |
| Yellow-breasted Chat    |     |     |     |     | 1   | 7   | 3   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 12   |
| Western Tanager         |     |     |     |     | 3   | 5   | 2   | 5   | 4   | 1   |     |     | 20   |
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak  |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Black-headed Grosbeak   |     |     |     |     | 1   | 8   | 5   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 16   |
| Blue Grosbeak           |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 3   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 7    |
| Lazuli Bunting          |     |     |     |     | 3   | 6   | 4   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 15   |
| Indigo Bunting          |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 3   |     |     | 7    |
| Dickcissel              |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 3    |
| Green-tailed Towhee     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 5   | 4   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 12   |



| SPECIES                    | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | YEAR |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Rufous-sided Towhee        |     | 3   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 6   | 5   |     | 2   | 3   | 2   |     | 28   |
| Brown Towhee               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     | 2    |
| American Tree Sparrow      | 6   | 5   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 9   | 1   | 25   |
| Chipping Sparrow           |     |     |     | 2   | 4   | 4   | 6   | 6   | 5   | 4   |     |     | 31   |
| Clay-colored Sparrow       |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     | 2   | 2   | 1   |     |     | 8    |
| Brewer's Sparrow           |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 1   |     |     | 9    |
| Vesper Sparrow             |     |     |     | 3   | 2   | 5   | 4   | 2   | 5   | 1   |     |     | 22   |
| Lark Sparrow               |     |     |     | 1   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 3   |     |     |     | 15   |
| Black-throated Sparrow     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1    |
| Lark Bunting               |     |     |     |     | 2   |     | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 6    |
| Savannah Sparrow           |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 4   | 2   | 1   |     |     |     | 10   |
| Grasshopper Sparrow        |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Fox Sparrow                |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Song Sparrow               | 6   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 3   | 9   | 7   | 2   | 2   | 6   | 8   | 2   | 60   |
| Lincoln's Sparrow          |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     | 11   |
| Swamp Sparrow              | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| White-throated Sparrow     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2    |
| White-crowned Sparrow      | 1   |     | 1   | 6   | 3   |     | 4   | 2   | 4   | 8   | 5   | 2   | 36   |
| Harris' Sparrow            |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Dark-eyed Junco            | 6   | 7   | 7   | 5   |     | 6   | 6   | 2   | 3   | 7   | 10  | 2   | 61   |
| McCown's Longspur          |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Lapland Longspur           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1    |
| Chestnut-collared Longspur |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Bobolink                   |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1    |
| Red-winged Blackbird       | 6   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 5   | 13  | 10  | 5   | 3   | 8   | 7   | 2   | 80   |
| Western Meadowlark         | 4   | 2   | 4   | 7   | 4   | 11  | 6   | 5   | 5   | 7   | 4   | 2   | 61   |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird    |     |     | 1   | 4   | 3   | 7   | 4   | 4   | 2   |     | 1   |     | 26   |
| Brewer's Blackbird         | 1   |     |     | 2   | 2   | 8   | 5   | 4   |     | 4   | 3   | 1   | 30   |
| Common Grackle             |     |     | 2   | 6   | 5   | 10  | 8   | 4   | 3   | 4   | 1   |     | 43   |
| Brown-headed Cowbird       |     |     |     | 3   | 2   | 13  | 8   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 27   |
| Orchard Oriole             |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Northern Oriole            |     |     |     |     | 2   | 10  | 6   | 3   | 1   |     |     |     | 22   |
| Rosy Finch                 | 1   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2    |
| Pine Grosbeak              |     |     |     |     |     |     | 2   | 2   |     |     |     |     | 4    |
| Cassin's Finch             | 1   | 3   | 1   | 2   |     | 3   | 5   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 17   |
| House Finch                | 7   | 6   | 1   | 5   | 3   | 7   | 5   | 3   | 2   | 7   | 8   | 2   | 56   |
| Red Crossbill              |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1   | 3   |     |     |     |     |     | 5    |
| Pine Siskin                | 1   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 6   | 6   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 1   |     | 32   |
| Lesser Goldfinch           |     |     |     |     |     | 4   | 4   |     |     |     |     |     | 8    |
| American Goldfinch         | 4   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 4   | 10  | 3   | 5   | 5   |     | 8   | 1   | 49   |
| Evening Grosbeak           | 1   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 3   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 23   |
| House Sparrow              | 5   | 6   | 4   | 7   | 4   | 9   | 8   | 6   | 3   | 7   | 6   | 2   | 67   |
| SPECIES PER MONTH          | 78  | 73  | 99  | 132 | 141 | 160 | 178 | 174 | 164 | 129 | 101 | 58  | --   |

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MAY 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

- MAY 2, Tuesday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal; Bromley Lane to Prospect Reservoir; farm ponds at Weld County Roads 6&61 and 6&67; Roggen to Fort Morgan; Muir Springs Park; Bijou Reservoir, Jackson Reservoir and the "Pelican Refuges" (NECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy to cloudy with afternoon thundershowers; Wind, NE 10-20 MPH; 45°-68°). 238 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 11 hours birding. (88 species, 12,491 individuals).
- 6, Saturday. Roxborough Park (RX). Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Marge Armitage, Ursula Barsch, Ellen Copeland, Scott Fitzmorris, Phil Hayes, Joe Himmel, Hazel Kellogg, Tim Moore, Ann Oberg, Sharon Polhamus, Tim Schowalter, Don & Jo Shrode, Deb & Joe Sikich, Anne Southcott, Allaire Wallace, Ruth Wheeler, Eleanor White, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, NW 0-3 MPH; 42°-78°). 3 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (40 species, 150 individuals).
- 7, Sunday. Upper and Lower White Ranch Park (WR). Leaders: Harold & Betty Oliver. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Lois Foreman, Jean Maguire, Joe TenBrink, Amy Young. (Clear; Wind, W 35 MPH; 50°-87°). 28 miles



MAY 7, by car, 4 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (26 species, 136 individuals).

8&9, Monday & Tuesday. Northeastern Colorado: Tamarack Ranch SWA, Red Lion SWA, Jumbo Reservoir, Sterling (cemetery), Prewitt Reservoir SWA, Prospect Reservoir (NECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear to partly cloudy with afternoon steady rain; Wind, E to NE 5-15 MPH; 42°-80°). 232 miles by car, 8 miles on foot. 25 hours birding. (110 species, 5919 individuals).

13&14, Saturday & Sunday. Annual Spring Count. Details will be published next month.

20, Saturday. Hudson to the Rigli Ranch and surrounding areas (RIG). Leader: Joe Rigli. Observers: Angela Bailey, Ruth Breckon, Hazel Kellogg, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Don & Jo Shrode, Ruth Wheeler. (Clear to partly cloudy in P.M.; Wind, SE 5-15 MPH; 58°-90°). 95 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (55 species, 547 individuals).

20, Saturday. Northcentral Colorado: Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA; Castlewood Canyon S.P.; Sedalia; Louviers; Waterton; Chatfield SRA; Bromley Lane to Prospect Reservoir & farm ponds at Weld County Roads 6&61, 6&67 and 18&53; Lower Latham Reservoir (NCCO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear; Wind, E 5-15 MPH; 40°-80°). 255 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 11.5 hours birding. (120 species, 3829 individuals).

21, Sunday. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (WGB). Leader: Mort Staatz. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Karen Bickett, John Brennerman, Art Butler, Marta Deutman, Tom & Virginia Faxon, Irv Jackson, Lucy Pace, Arlene Raskin, Sandy Selzer, Anne Southcott, Joy Stross. (Partly cloudy to cloudy; 52°-78°). 1/4 mile by car, 3 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (38 species, 384 individuals).

27, Saturday. Highline Canal, McLellan Reservoir, Plum Creek & Daniels Park (HC). Leader: Lynn Willcockson. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Ursula Barsch, Judy Barnes, Marilyn Clark, Hazel Kellogg, Jerry & Arlene Raskin, Ruth Wheeler. (Clear to partly cloudy; Wind, calm in A.M., 10-25 MPH in P.M.; 50°-70°). 27 miles by car, 2.5 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (55 species, 227 individuals).

27-29, Saturday through Monday. Grand Junction area: Island Acres SRA, along old U.S. Hwy. 6 at the Utah/Colorado state line, Colorado National Monument, Cameo (GRAND). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observers: Virginia Bleck, JoAnn Derusha, Bob & Juv Fleming, Gene & Carol Ann Francis, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Kathy Hawkins, Phil Hayes, Joe Himmel, Harold John (Missouri), Bob & Judy Miller, Don & Diana Mullineaux, Randy Pullen & family, Dorothy Reddall, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Mary Jane Schock, Tim Schowalter, Mort Staatz, Anne Southcott, Rob Wilson. (Clear to partly cloudy; Wind, SW to W 25-35 MPH gusting to 50+ MPH; 41°-95°). 210 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 14 hours birding. (67 species, 664 individuals).

#### MAY 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Nine field trips were conducted in May (exclusive of the Annual Spring Count) with six scheduled by the Denver Field Ornithologists plus three individual trips. As a result, a total of 195 species were reported during the month. A single American Bittern was seen and heard "pumping" at the "Pelican Refuges" southwest of Jackson Reservoir on May 2. A Great Egret visited the heron rookery at the Chatfield SRA on the 20th, flying from tree-to-tree much to the dismay of the nesting Great Blue Herons who obviously did not

3 appreciate the intrusion by one of their "cousins". A Green-backed Heron, first discovered on May 6, remained at the slough south of the Group Picnic Area at the Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA for over a week. A female Common Merganser was observed "mothering" six young chicks near the heron rookery at the Chatfield SRA On May 20. One Peregrine Falcon was sighted on May 6 by the observers at Roxborough State Park.

The highlight of the weekend field trip to the Grand Junction area occurred early on the morning of May 29 when 21 Chukars (including a hen with nine chicks) were quickly and easily located just beyond the power plant at Cameo. This is probably the most reliable spot to find these birds in the Grand Junction area. A Whimbrel was feeding at the farm pond a quarter of a mile north of the intersection of Weld Co. Rds. 6 and 61 on the 2nd. Also on the 2nd were 28 Marbled Godwits and two Hudsonian Godwits (one in basic plumage and the other in alternate plumage) at the seep below Prospect Reservoir. And at this same location on the 2nd, a single Short-billed Dowitcher was sorted out from a flock of 125 Long-billed Dowitchers. A Common Tern, quite rare in eastern Colorado in the spring, was observed patrolling along the east dam at Jumbo Reservoir on May 8.

On the morning of May 9, a "fall-out" of Catharus thrushes occurred at the Sterling cemetery following an all night rainstorm in the area. Forty plus Swainson's Thrushes were counted as well as one Veery and one Gray-cheeked Thrush. A pair of Gray Vireos were intently watched at the Colorado National Monument on May 28 as they were obviously preparing to set up house-keeping in a juniper tree. Migrating spring warblers were few and far between insofar as the field trips were concerned. One male Nashville Warbler was reported on the 20th by the trip to the Rigli Ranch south of Fort Morgan. A singing male Northern Parula was found foraging high in the trees at the Sterling cemetery on May 9. Also on the 9th, a male Black-and-white Warbler was observed below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir.

While searching for Sage Sparrows on May 27 at the Colorado/Utah state line, Harold John from Missouri found a Brewer's Sparrow nest with four eggs, the nest being placed in a sage brush. Two singing Field Sparrows were at the Tamarack Ranch SWA at precisely the same spot as on July 16, 1987 where three were observed also in song. This very probable nesting site is located 1.1 miles west along the south perimeter dirt road from the Red Lion Road (north from I-76). Nine adult and one immature Sage Sparrows were observed on May 27 in Utah along the Colorado/Utah state line. Following considerable coordinated efforts by several ambitious members of the field trip, one of these birds was finally driven over the fence into Colorado where those standing in Colorado added the bird to their state list (if not their Life List). The "chasers" in Utah quickly climbed over the barbed wire fence so they too might count a new Colorado bird. However, some of us others, "non-purists" were content to tick the bird off while still standing in Utah (names have been withheld by request). Oddly enough, some of the "sure-fire" sage fields in the area within Colorado failed to yield any Sage Sparrows this year. A single Henslow's Sparrow was flushed along the road at the Red Lion SWA on May 8 representing only the second record for this elusive sparrow in Colorado (written details prepared by the Editor)).

Great-tailed Grackles have returned again this year to the Lower Latham Reservoir area in Weld County with two males and one female seen on May 20. Three Scott's Orioles were well observed by all 27 members on the field trip to the Grand Junction area on May 27. These orioles are rather easy to locate along old U.S. Highway 6 about one-half mile inside Colorado from the Utah state line in a stand of Pinyon/Juniper (at the top of the hill). A fourth Scott's Oriole was reported the following day, May 28, at the east entrance to the Colorado National Monument.

| MAY 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 2<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 6<br>RX<br>FH | 7<br>WR<br>FH | 8&9<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 20<br>RIG<br>PLN | 20<br>NCCO<br>PLNS | 21<br>WGB<br>PLN | 27<br>HC<br>PF | 27-29<br>GRAND<br>WSPVM |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Pied-billed Grebe                              | 2                 |               |               | 2                   |                  | 1                  | 2                |                |                         |
| Eared Grebe                                    | 2                 |               |               | 9                   |                  | 60                 |                  |                |                         |
| Western Grebe                                  | 315               |               |               | 6                   |                  | 175                |                  | 7              |                         |
| Clark's Grebe                                  |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| American White Pelican                         | 135               |               |               | 504                 |                  | 130                |                  |                |                         |
| Double-crested Cormorant                       | 290               | 3             |               | 21                  |                  | 350                | 2                | 3              |                         |
| American Bittern                               | 1                 |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Great Blue Heron                               | 30                |               |               | 31                  |                  | 80                 | 1                | 4              |                         |
| Great Egret                                    |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Snowy Egret                                    | 1                 |               |               |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Cattle Egret                                   |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 2                  |                  |                |                         |
| Green-backed Heron                             |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                      | 6                 |               |               |                     |                  | 3                  | 7                |                |                         |
| White-faced Ibis                               | 8                 |               |               |                     |                  | 2                  |                  |                |                         |
| Canada Goose                                   | 15                |               |               | 65                  | 2                | 40                 | 30               | 4              | 15                      |
| Wood Duck                                      |                   |               |               | 6m3f                |                  |                    |                  | 2              |                         |
| Green-winged Teal                              | 300               |               |               | 36                  |                  | 35                 | 1                |                |                         |
| Mallard                                        | 1300              | 4             | 8             | 45                  | 10               | 75                 | 16               | 6              | 2                       |
| Northern Pintail                               | 250               |               |               | 8                   |                  | 15                 |                  |                |                         |
| Blue-winged Teal                               | 110               |               |               | 50                  | 3                | 20                 |                  |                |                         |
| Cinnamon Teal                                  | 70                |               |               | 4                   |                  | 15                 |                  |                |                         |
| Northern Shoveler                              | 900               |               |               | 111                 |                  | 60                 |                  |                |                         |
| Gadwall                                        | 550               |               |               | 85                  | 2                | 30                 |                  |                |                         |
| American Wigeon                                | 300               |               |               | 1ma                 |                  | 4                  |                  |                |                         |
| Canvasback                                     | 1ma               |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Redhead                                        | 1m1f              |               |               |                     |                  | 10                 |                  |                |                         |
| Lesser Scaup                                   | 420               |               |               |                     |                  | 4                  | 2                |                |                         |
| Bufflehead                                     | 15                |               |               |                     |                  | 2fe                |                  |                |                         |
| Common Merganser                               | 1fe               |               |               |                     |                  | 1f6i               |                  |                |                         |
| Ruddy Duck                                     | 230               |               |               | 158                 |                  | 70                 |                  |                |                         |
| Turkey Vulture                                 |                   | 1             | 1             |                     |                  | 3                  |                  | 5              | 10                      |
| Northern Harrier                               |                   |               |               |                     | 2                | 1ma                |                  |                |                         |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                             |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  | 2                  |                  |                | 1                       |
| Cooper's Hawk                                  |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  | 1              | 1                       |
| Northern Goshawk                               |                   |               | 1             |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Swainson's Hawk                                |                   | 1             |               | 10                  | 5                |                    |                  | 2              |                         |
| "Light" morph                                  | 25                |               |               |                     |                  | 3                  |                  |                | 2                       |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                |                   | 3             |               |                     |                  |                    |                  | 1              |                         |
| "Western" race-"light"                         | 2                 |               | 1             | 6                   | 1                | 3                  |                  |                | 2                       |
| Ferruginous Hawk                               |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Light" morph                                  | 1                 |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Golden Eagle                                   |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  | 1ad                |                  |                | 1ad                     |
| American Kestrel                               | 11                | 3             | 3             | 12                  |                  | 2                  |                  | 3              | 1                       |
| Peregrine Falcon                               |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Chukar                                         |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 12a9i                   |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                           | 1-H               |               |               | 19                  | 2                | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Northern Bobwhite                              |                   |               |               | 10                  |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Gambel's Quail                                 |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 2ma                     |
| Virginia Rail                                  | 3-H               |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Sora                                           | 1S1H              |               |               |                     |                  | 2                  | 1-H              |                |                         |
| American Coot                                  | 150               |               |               | 22                  |                  | 15                 |                  |                |                         |
| Semipalmated Plover                            | 1                 |               |               | 11                  |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Killdeer                                       | 15                |               |               | 30                  | 4                | 25                 |                  | 2              | 3                       |



| MAY 1989                  | 2    | 6  | 7  | 8&9  | 20  | 20   | 21  | 27 | 27-29 |
|---------------------------|------|----|----|------|-----|------|-----|----|-------|
| AREA COVERED              | NECO | RX | WR | NECO | RIG | NCCO | WGB | HC | GRAND |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED        | PLNS | FH | FH | PLNS | PLN | PLNS | PLN | PF | WSPVM |
| Black-necked Stilt        |      |    |    |      |     | 2    |     |    |       |
| American Avocet           | 75   |    |    | 50   |     | 50   |     |    |       |
| Lesser Yellowlegs         | 50   |    |    | 16   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Solitary Sandpiper        |      |    |    | 1    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Willet                    | 14   |    |    | 4    |     | 1    |     |    |       |
| Spotted Sandpiper         | 7    |    |    | 38   | 1   | 25   |     |    | 6     |
| Whimbrel                  | 1    |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Hudsonian Godwit          | 2    |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Marbled Godwit            | 28   |    |    | 30   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Sanderling                |      |    |    | 23   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper    |      |    |    | 20   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Western Sandpiper         | 2    |    |    | 11   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Least Sandpiper           | 80   |    |    | 83   |     |      |     |    |       |
| White-rumped Sandpiper    |      |    |    |      |     | 1    |     |    |       |
| Baird's Sandpiper         | 3    |    |    | 10   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Pectoral Sandpiper        |      |    |    | 2    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Stilt Sandpiper           |      |    |    | 1    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Short-billed Dowitcher    | 1    |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Long-billed Dowitcher     | 125  |    |    | 234  |     | 5    |     |    |       |
| Common Snipe              | 2    |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Wilson's Phalarope        | 500  |    |    | 145  |     | 250  |     |    |       |
| Red-necked Phalarope      |      |    |    |      |     | 40   |     |    |       |
| Franklin's Gull           | 175  |    |    | 75   |     |      |     |    |       |
| Bonaparte's Gull          | 5    |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Ring-billed Gull          | 120  |    |    | 356  |     | 55   | 1   |    |       |
| California Gull           |      |    |    |      |     | 20   |     |    |       |
| Common Tern               |      |    |    | 1    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Forster's Tern            | 11   |    |    | 35   | 2   | 19   |     |    |       |
| Black Tern                |      |    |    |      |     | 10   |     |    |       |
| Rock Dove                 | 30   | 6  |    | 11   |     | 3    | 15  | 2  | 15    |
| Mourning Dove             | 150  | 23 | 5  | 400  | 35  | 100  | 4   | 7  | 20    |
| Great Horned Owl          | 3ad  |    |    | 1ad  | 2   | 1ad  |     | 1  |       |
| Burrowing Owl             |      |    |    |      |     | 1    |     |    |       |
| White-throated Swift      |      | 15 |    |      |     | 2    |     |    | 35    |
| Black-chinned Hummingbird |      |    |    |      |     |      |     |    | 8     |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird  |      | 5  | 1  |      |     | 2    |     | 1  | 1     |
| Belted Kingfisher         | 2    |    |    | 2    |     | 2    | 1   | 2  | 1     |
| Downy Woodpecker          |      |    |    |      |     |      |     | 2  |       |
| "Eastern" races           | 1m1f |    |    |      |     |      |     |    |       |
| Hairy Woodpecker          |      |    |    |      |     | 1    |     |    |       |
| "Eastern" races           |      |    |    | 3    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Northern Flicker          | 1    |    | 1  |      |     |      | 12  |    |       |
| "Red-shafted" race        |      | 2  |    | 18   |     | 3    |     | 3  |       |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher    | 1    |    |    |      | 2   |      |     |    |       |
| Western Wood-Pewee        |      |    |    |      | 3   | 1    | 3   | 8  | 1     |
| Least Flycatcher          |      |    |    | 5    |     |      |     |    |       |
| Gray Flycatcher           |      |    |    |      |     |      |     |    | 4     |
| Empidonax species         |      |    |    |      | 6   |      |     |    |       |
| Say's Phoebe              |      |    |    | 1    | 2   | 1    |     |    |       |
| Ash-throated Flycatcher   |      |    |    |      |     |      |     |    | 3     |
| Cassin's Kingbird         |      |    |    |      |     |      |     |    | 1     |
| Western Kingbird          |      | 1  |    | 31   | 23  | 35   |     | 5  | 15    |
| Eastern Kingbird          |      |    |    | 6    | 4   | 4    | 1   | 3  |       |
| Horned Lark               | 60   |    |    | 10   | 35  | 20   |     |    | 12    |

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Tree Swallow                                   |                   |               |               | 8                   |                  | 50                 |                  |                |                         |
| Violet-green Swallow                           |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 40                 |                  | 1              | 30                      |
| No. Rough-winged Swallow                       |                   |               |               | 6                   | 1                | 2                  | 3                |                |                         |
| Cliff Swallow                                  |                   |               |               |                     | 1                | 35                 |                  | 29             | 5                       |
| Barn Swallow                                   | 80                |               | 2             | 135                 | 12               | 150                | 10               | 7              | 50                      |
| Steller's Jay                                  |                   | 4             | 4             |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Scrub Jay                                      |                   | 12            |               |                     |                  | 1                  |                  | 1              |                         |
| Pinyon Jay                                     |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 15                      |
| Black-billed Magpie                            | 30                | 8             | 1             | 16                  | 4                | 35                 | 20               | 4              | 15                      |
| American Crow                                  |                   | 4             |               | 1                   |                  | 2                  | 1                | 3              | 1                       |
| Common Raven                                   |                   | 2             | 2             |                     |                  | 2                  |                  |                | 12                      |
| Black-capped Chickadee                         | 4                 | 2             | 8             | 14                  | 1                | 2                  | 22               | 1              |                         |
| Plain Titmouse                                 |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 4                       |
| White-breasted Nuthatch                        |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 3                  |                  |                | 1                       |
| Rock Wren                                      |                   |               |               |                     | 1                | 1                  |                  |                | 8                       |
| Canyon Wren                                    |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                | 2                       |
| House Wren                                     | 15                |               |               | 155                 | 2                | 20                 |                  | 7              |                         |
| Marsh Wren                                     | 8                 |               |               |                     |                  | 15                 |                  |                |                         |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                           | 1                 |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher                          |                   | 4             | 1             |                     |                  | 2                  |                  |                | 5                       |
| Eastern Bluebird                               |                   |               |               | 1m1f                |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Western Bluebird                               |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 1ma                |                  | 4              | 2                       |
| Mountain Bluebird                              |                   |               | 18            |                     |                  | 1fe                |                  | 14             | 2N                      |
| Townsend's Solitaire                           |                   |               | 6             |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Veery                                          |                   |               |               | 1                   | 1                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Gray-cheeked Thrush                            |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Swainson's Thrush                              | 1                 |               |               | 41                  | 8                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Hermit Thrush                                  | 2                 |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| American Robin                                 | 50                | 3             | 8             | 185                 | 2                | 45                 | 14               | 6              | 20                      |
| Gray Catbird                                   |                   | 1             |               | 1                   | 2                |                    |                  | 2              |                         |
| Northern Mockingbird                           |                   |               |               | 1                   | 3                | 1                  |                  |                | 3                       |
| Sage Thrasher                                  |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 2                       |
| Brown Thrasher                                 | 1                 |               |               | 31                  | 2                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Loggerhead Shrike                              | 2                 | 1             |               | 1                   |                  |                    |                  |                | 1                       |
| European Starling                              | 350               | 2             |               | 135                 | 8                | 90                 | 28               | 3              | 50                      |
| Gray Vireo                                     |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 2                       |
| Solitary Vireo                                 |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Plumbeous" race                               |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                | 1                       |
| Warbling Vireo                                 |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  | 2                  |                  | 2              | 2                       |
| Red-eyed Vireo                                 |                   |               |               |                     | 1                | 2                  | 2                |                |                         |
| Orange-crowned Warbler                         |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Nashville Warbler                              |                   |               |               |                     | 1ma              |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Virginia's Warbler                             |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  | 2                  |                  |                |                         |
| Northern Parula                                |                   |               |               | 1ma                 |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Yellow Warbler                                 |                   |               |               | 55                  | 12               | 10                 | 9                | 8              | 5                       |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                          |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Myrtle" race                                  | 15                | 1             |               | 30                  |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Audubon's" race                               | 3                 | 3             | 17            | 5                   | 6                | 1ma                |                  |                |                         |
| Black-throated Gray Warbler                    |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 2                       |
| Black-and-white Warbler                        |                   |               |               | 1ma                 |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| American Redstart                              |                   |               |               |                     | 1fe              |                    |                  |                |                         |
| MacGillivray's Warbler                         |                   |               |               |                     | 2                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Common Yellowthroat                            |                   |               |               | 2fe                 |                  | 15                 |                  | 3              |                         |

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

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MAY 2. CASTLE ROCK BIRD ATLAS NORTH QUADRANT. Leaders: Ann Bonnell and Hugh Kingery. Observers: 42.

Gadwall 3, Turkey Vulture 6, Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Swainson's Hawk 4, Red-tailed Hawk 2, Golden Eagle 1, American Kestrel 2, Killdeer 1, Rock Dove 6, Mourning Dove 8, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 3, Northern Flicker "Red-Shafted" 2, Barn Swallow 3, Blue Jay 3, Scrub Jay 1, Pinyon Jay 27, Black-billed Magpie 4, American Crow 5, Mountain Chickadee 4, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1, Western Bluebird 4, American Robin 6, Loggerhead Shrike 1, European Starling 30, Yellow-rumped Warbler "Myrtle" 1 "Audubon's 2, Rufous-sided Towhee 19, Chipping Sparrow 25, Western Meadowlark 9, Common Grackle 2, Brown-headed Cowbird 2. (30 species, 188 individuals.)

MAY 9. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Canceled due to inclement weather.

MAY 16. BARR LAKE STATE PARK/PROSPECT RESERVOIR AND PONDS. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 36.

Western Grebe 11, Double-crest. Cormorant 20, Great Blue Heron 5, Snowy Egret 1, Black-cr. Night-Heron 22, Canada Goose 11, Mallard 24, Northern Pintail 12, Blue-winged Teal 8, Cinnamon Teal 2, Northern Shoveler 4, Gadwall 50, Redhead 2, Lesser Scaup 3, Bald Eagle 4 (2 adults/2 eaglets), Swainson's Hawk 3, Red-tailed Hawk 3, American Kestrel 3, American Coot 5, Killdeer 15, American Avocet 40, Spotted Sandpiper 1, Marbled Godwit 1, Long-billed Dowitcher 14, Wilson's Phalarope 6, Ring-billed Gull 40, Forster's Tern 10, Black Tern 10, Rock Dove 2, Mourning Dove 15, Downy Woodpecker 1, Western Wood-Pewee 1, Western Kingbird 15, Eastern Kingbird 5, Horned Lark 18, No. Rough-winged Swallow 1, Bank Swallow 12, Cliff Swallow 127, Barn Swallow 152, Black-billed Magpie 9, House Wren 10, American Robin 7, Brown Thrasher 1, European Starling 15, Yellow Warbler 5, Western Tanager 2, Lark Sparrow 6, Red-winged Blackbird 32, Western Meadowlark 22, Yellow-headed Blackbird 51, Common Grackle 5, Northern Oriole "Bullock's" 12, House Sparrow 7. (53 species, 863 individuals.)

MAY 23. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leaders: Ann Bonnell and Else Van Erp. Observers: 41.

Pied-billed Grebe 2, Black-cr. Night-Heron 8, Canada Goose 25, Green-winged Teal 2, Mallard 35, Lesser Scaup 2, Virginia Rail 2 (heard), American Coot 4, Killdeer 2, Common Snipe 1, Ring-billed Gull 4, Mourning Dove 4, Downy Woodpecker 1, Northern Flicker 18, Western Wood-Pewee 1, No. Rough-winged Swallow 3, Barn Swallow 25, Black-billed Magpie 14, Black-capped Chickadee 6, House Wren 3, American Robin 15, European Starling 15, Yellow Warbler 5, Black-and-white Warbler 1, Yellow-breasted Chat 1, Western Tanager 3, Black-headed Grosbeak 1, Song Sparrow 5, Red-winged Blackbird 25 (nest with young), Yellow-headed Blackbird 2, Common Grackle 15, Brown-headed Cowbird 4, Northern Oriole 19, House Finch 17, House Sparrow 10. (35 species, 300 individuals.)

MAY 30. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 12.

Pied-billed Grebe 3, Double-crest. Cormorant 14, Great Blue Heron 12, Canada Goose 15, Mallard 6, Blue-winged Teal 6, Cinnamon Teal 2, Gadwall 4, Hawk (sp?) 1, American Kestrel 1, Ring-necked Pheasant 1, Virginia Rail 2 (heard), Sora 1 (heard), American Coot 3, Killdeer 5, Spotted



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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Wilson's Warbler                               |                   |               |               |                     | 2                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Yellow-breasted Chat                           |                   |               |               | 2                   |                  | 3                  | 2                | 3              | 1                       |
| Western Tanager                                |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 4                  |                  | 1              |                         |
| Black-headed Grosbeak                          |                   |               |               | 1ma                 |                  | 3                  |                  | 6              | 1                       |
| Blue Grosbeak                                  |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 1                       |
| Lazuli Bunting                                 |                   | 2             |               |                     |                  | 8                  |                  |                |                         |
| Indigo Bunting                                 |                   | 1             |               | 1ma                 |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Green-tailed Towhee                            |                   |               | 1             |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                            |                   | 8             |               |                     | 1                |                    |                  | 5              |                         |
| "Spotted" races                                |                   |               | 3             | 23                  |                  | 30                 |                  |                |                         |
| Chipping Sparrow                               | 10                |               | 28            | 155                 | 45               | 7                  |                  |                | 5                       |
| Clay-colored Sparrow                           |                   |               |               | 25                  |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Brewer's Sparrow                               |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  |                    |                  |                | 20N                     |
| Field Sparrow                                  |                   |               |               | 2                   |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Vesper Sparrow                                 | 1                 | 3             | 2             | 70                  |                  | 35                 |                  | 1              |                         |
| Lark Sparrow                                   | 3                 | 1             |               | 245                 | 10               | 5                  |                  |                | 2                       |
| Black-throated Sparrow                         |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 15                      |
| Sage Sparrow                                   |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 9a1i                    |
| Lark Bunting                                   |                   |               |               | 5                   | 50               | 10                 |                  |                |                         |
| Savannah Sparrow                               |                   |               | 3             | 1                   |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Grasshopper Sparrow                            |                   |               |               | 1                   | 1                |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Henslow's Sparrow                              |                   |               |               | 1                   |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Song Sparrow                                   | 1                 |               |               |                     | 1                | 10                 | 8                | 2              |                         |
| Lincoln's Sparrow                              |                   |               |               | 1                   | 2                |                    |                  | 1              |                         |
| White-throated Sparrow                         |                   |               |               | 1ad                 |                  |                    | 1                |                |                         |
| White-crowned Sparrow                          |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Gambel's" race                                | 25                |               |               | 10                  |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Gray-headed" race                             |                   |               | 1             |                     |                  | 1                  |                  |                |                         |
| Bobolink                                       |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 2ma                |                  |                |                         |
| Red-winged Blackbird                           | 3500              | 3             | 3             | 750                 | 60               | 150                | 120              | 6              | 15                      |
| Western Meadowlark                             | 270               | 7             | 7             | 330                 | 20               | 300                |                  | 5              | 10                      |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird                        | 600               |               |               | 35                  |                  | 100                |                  |                |                         |
| Brewer's Blackbird                             |                   | 1             |               |                     |                  | 15                 | 1                | 2              | 75                      |
| Great-tailed Grackle                           |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 2m1f               |                  |                |                         |
| Common Grackle                                 | 500               | 1             |               | 160                 | 15               | 60                 | 12               | 2              |                         |
| Brown-headed Cowbird                           | 10                |               |               | 150                 | 6                | 25                 | 3                | 3              | 10                      |
| Orchard Oriole                                 |                   |               |               |                     | 2ma              |                    |                  |                |                         |
| Northern Oriole                                |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Baltimore" race                               |                   |               |               | 1ma                 |                  |                    |                  |                |                         |
| "Bullock's" race                               |                   |               |               | 4ma                 | 15               | 12                 | 8                | 7              | 3                       |
| Scott's Oriole                                 |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    |                  |                | 4                       |
| House Finch                                    | 20                |               |               | 20                  |                  | 20                 | 3                | 9              | 40                      |
| Lesser Goldfinch                               |                   |               |               |                     |                  | 2                  |                  | 2              | 4                       |
| American Goldfinch                             |                   |               |               | 120                 |                  | 10                 | 2                | 1              | 5                       |
| Evening Grosbeak                               |                   |               |               |                     |                  |                    | 1                |                |                         |
| House Sparrow                                  | 70                |               |               | 58                  | 100              | 30                 | 12               | 2              | 20                      |
| TOTAL SPECIES-195                              | 88                | 40            | 26            | 110                 | 55               | 120                | 38               | 55             | 67                      |

ABBREVIATIONS & NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i; Seen=S; Heard Only=H; Nesting Observed=N; Plains=PLNS,PLN,P; Foothills=FH,F; Western Slope-Plains, Valleys & Mesas=WSPVM.

ADDITIONAL MAY 1989 REPORTS (continued)

Carolina Wren 5-21 through 5-28 (nested successfully in Englewood-two live young, one dead) Arapahoe Co. (MP,TU). Photographed (HK). First nesting record for this species in Colorado-ED.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 5-13 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW).

Eastern Bluebird 5-10 & 5-11 (Five nesting pairs) in the two miles along the Arickaree River, Vernon SW Atlas block, Yuma Co. (HK,UK,PH,BR,RW).

Veery 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR,NW).

Gray-cheeked Thrush 5-16 (1) Wagon Wheel Campground, Bonny Reservoir SRA (JR); 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR).

Hermit Thrush 5-28 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale (NW).

Gray Catbird 5-13 & 5-14 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-20 (1) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (NW); 5-21 (2) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR,NW).

Cedar Waxwing 5-13 (2) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW).

Bell's Vireo 5-14 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (DB,NW).

Red-eyed Vireo 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR,NW); 5-28 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale (NW).

Orange-crowned Warbler 5-6 (2-3) Muir Springs Park, Morgan Co. (NW); 5-13 & 5-14 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (DB,NW).

Chestnut-sided Warbler 5-29 (1 singing male) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (NW, plus many others).

Black-throated Blue Warbler 5-13 & 5-14 (1 male) Bonny Reservoir SRA (DB,NW); 5-28 (1 female) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale (NW).

Townsend's Warbler 5-13 & 5-14 (1 female) Bonny Reservoir SRA (JM,JT,NW and others).

Blackpoll Warbler 5-11 (1) Vernon SW Atlas block, Yuma Co. (HK,UK,RW); 5-13 & 5-14 (1 male) Bonny Reservoir SRA (JM,JT,NW and others).

Black-and-white Warbler 5-9 (1) 869 Milwaukee, Denver (HK); 5-13 (1 female) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW).

American Redstart 5-21 (1 female) Prewitt Reservoir (NW,JR).

Ovenbird 5-8 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (BR); 5-13 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (NW,JR).

Northern Waterthrush 5-8 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (BR); 5-13 & 5-14 (2) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-16 (1) Bear Creek Greenbelt between Wadsworth and Estes, Jefferson Co. (MJS); 5-17 (1) Lake Hasty RA (JS); 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (NW,JR).

Mourning Warbler 5-21 (1 male) below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir SWA (NW,JR). Written documentation (NW,JR).

MacGillivray's Warbler 5-12 (1 male) 4450 S. Alton St., Cherry Creek Village, Arapahoe Co. (JR); 5-21 (1 male) below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir SWA (NW,JR).

Wilson's Warbler 5-13 (1 male) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-21 (1 male) below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir SWA (NW,JR).

Summer Tanager 5-21 (1 changing male) below the dam at Prewitt Reservoir SWA (NW,JR).

Scarlet Tanager 5-17 (1 male in breeding plumage) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (MR,LR); seen again on 5-20 (NW); 5-31 (1 female) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale (JR).

Northern Cardinal 5-24 & 5-25 (1) Vernon SW Atlas block, Yuma Co. (HK).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak 5-21 (1 singing male) Sterling cemetery (JR,NW); 5-24 (1) Vernon SW Atlas block, Yuma Co. (HK).

Green-tailed Towhee 5-5 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-6 (1) Muir Springs Park (NW); 5-7 (1) Colorado Springs SWA, El Paso Co. (NW).

Field Sparrow 5-24 (3) Vernon SW Atlas block, Yuma Co. (HK).

Great-tailed Grackle 5-6 (1 male) intake canal, Lower Latham Reservoir from Co. Rd. 48 (AH); 5-13 (5 males, 5 females) at Co. Rds. 40&45, Weld Co. (AH); 5-21 (1) 5 miles south of Lower Latham Reservoir (JS); 5-28 (1 male, 1 female) Lower Latham Reservoir (NW).

Tuesday Birders - cont.

Sandpiper 3, Rock Dove 2, Mourning Dove 11, Great Horned Owl 2 adults/4 owlets, Downy Woodpecker 1, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 2, Western Wood-Pewee 10, Violet-green Swallow 5, No. Rough-winged Swallow 3, Cliff Swallow 20, Barn Swallow 50, Black-billed Magpie 15, Black-capped Chickadee 2, House Wren 8, American Robin 12, European Starling 2, Yellow Warbler 15, Yellow-breasted Chat 1, Western Tanager 1, Black-headed Grosbeak 1, Rufus-sided Towhee 1, Red-winged Blackbird 35, Western Meadowlark 13, Yellow-headed Blackbird 18, Common Grackle 14, Brown-headed Cowbird 1, Northern Oriole "Bullock's" 7, American Goldfinch 2. (43 species, 339 individuals.)

Monna Krebs (compiler)

ADDITIONAL MAY 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

Great Egret 5-21 (1) Lower Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (JS).  
 Cattle Egret 5-21 (1) 5 miles south of Lower Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (JS).  
 Green-backed Heron 5-9 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (NW);  
 5-12 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (JR); 5-17 (1) Rocky Ford SWA, Otero Co. (JS).  
 Wood Duck 5-9 (1 male, 1 female) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (NW); 5-21 (1 male) Prewitt Reservoir SWA, Washington Co. (JR,NW).  
 Peregrine Falcon 5-1 (1 adult) flying over the entrance to Waterton Canyon, Jefferson Co. (JR); 5-1 (1 adult) perched in a dead tree at the South Platte River delta, Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (JR); 5-4 (1-reported to be the "Tundra" race-"no leg bands noticed when perched") Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (BR).  
 Chukar 5-14 (2) South Republican SWA campground, Yuma Co. (NW). These birds are released stock and not established in the area (certainly this is not Chukar habitat!)-ED.  
 Wild Turkey 5-14 (1) along U.S. Hwy. 36 just east of Cope, Washington Co. (NW).  
 Black-bellied Plover 5-10 (1 in alternate plumage) Barr Lake S.P., Adams Co. (JR).  
 Upland Sandpiper 5-24 (4) & 5-25 (7) Vernon SW Atlas Block, Latilong 14, north of Idalia, Yuma Co. (HK).  
 Whimbrel 5-6 (2) seep below Prospect Reservoir dam, Weld Co. (NW)  
 Long-billed Curlew 5-17 (1) Lake Hasty RA, Bent Co. (JS).  
 White-rumped Sandpiper 5-21 (2) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR,NW); 5-25 (6) Vernon SW Atlas block, Latilong 14, Yuma Co. (HK); 5-28 (2) intake canal, Lower Latham Reservoir (NW); 5-28 (25) seep below Prospect Dam (NW).  
 Stilt Sandpiper 5-10 (2) Wildcat Canyon Atlas block, Latilong 14, ?-Co. (HK).  
 Red-necked Phalarope 5-21 (1) Lower Latham Reservoir (JS).  
 Common Tern 5-17 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA, Yuma Co. (JR).  
 Black Tern 5-18 (6) Chatfield SRA (JS).  
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo 5-18 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (JR); 5-23 (1) Vernon SW Atlas block, Latilong 14, Yuma Co. (HK,UK,PH,BR,RW).  
 Common Poorwill 5-22 (1) 869 Milwaukee, Denver, Denver Co. (HK).  
 Chimney Swift 5-13 & 5-14 (4) Bonny Reservoir SRA (NW).  
 Lewis' Woodpcker 5-13 (1) Bonny Reservoir SRA (DB,JM,JT,NW).  
 Red-bellied Woodpecker 5-8 (2) Bonny Reservoir SRA (BR).  
 Willow Flycatcher 5-21 (1) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR); 5-31 (1 calling bird) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale, Weld Co. (JR); 5-31 (1) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt, Jefferson Co. (JR).



ADDITIONAL MAY 1989 REPORTS (continued):

Evening Grosbeak 5-20 (1 male, 2 females) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (NW).

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ADDITION TO 1989 DFO MEMBERSHIP LIST

The 1989 DFO Membership List which accompanied the April Lark Bunting inadvertently omitted the following members:

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PAUL RECHEL MEMORIAL

The Denver Field Ornithologists, Shirley Rechel and the State Parks Department have agreed on a use for the money contributed to the DFO in memory of Paul Rechel. One of Paul's favorite places was Castlewood Canyon State Park, and he and Shirley built a home on the edge of the Park. The Parks Depart-

PAUL RECHEL MEMORIAL (continued)

ment will use the money to erect a bench in Castlewood Canyon at an overlook on the east side of Cherry Creek Canyon. Bob Finch, Chief Ranger at Castlewood Canyon, helped to work out this plan. Future plans for the park involve building an entrance station on the east side of the park where visitors will enter and obtain a view of the canyon from above. The site for Paul's memorial will be about a one mile walk from this proposed new entrance. In May, the DFO transferred the money to the State Parks Department and work will begin on the bench this summer.

FIELD TRIP TO CHEYENNE BOTTOMS & QUIVIRA NWR CANCELLED

Regretfully the Cheyenne Bottoms field trip scheduled for May 12-15 with leader Bob Righter had to be cancelled. The area where 90% of the world's population of White-rumped Sandpipers migrate through was bone dry. It should be noted, however, that while attending a Kansas Ornithological Society meeting, Bob reports that in one day 140 different species of birds were observed at the Quivira NWR. "In a good year this can be a dynamite trip" affirms Bob.

TWO LONG-TIME DFO MEMBERS RECIPIENTS OF THE "PTARMIGAN AWARD"

Two long-time members of the DFO, Harold Holt and Jack Reddall, were honored at the May 3, 1989 meeting and presented the "Ptarmigan Award" for outstanding, loyal and meritorious service to the Denver Field Ornithologists and the advancement of bird study in Colorado. This year's recipients join Ruth Wheeler and Thompson Marsh who were the first two members to be so honored in 1988.

FLORIDA AUDUBON PROGRAM FOR INJURED RAPTORS

For program to rehabilitate and care for injured and orphaned birds of prey, collect cancelled foreign and United States commemorative postage stamps, undamaged duck and state conservation stamps and old foreign picture postal cards. For information about this Florida Audubon program, call Patty Echelmeyer (233-4947) who delivers these items personally.

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR JULY 1989

INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS

1. Compile a summary of your field trip in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order showing the total number of birds observed for each species and mail it immediately after the field trip to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street, Englewood, Colorado 80111. PLEASE NOTE: Submitting field trip summaries in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List order saves the Editor considerable time and trouble since his worksheets are laid out in this manner. There are several Field Check-Lists currently in circulation that are badly out-of-date and/or unsuitable for use by the Editor. Field trip leaders are urged to use the Check-List that appeared in the July 1988 issue of the Lark Bunting (Vol. 23, No. 10) or follow its format to compile and submit results of their field trips.
2. Along with your summary, submit a list in alphabetical order of the names of all observers participating in the field trip, a note on weather and wind conditions, temperature, miles covered by car and on foot and the duration of the trip.
3. Include any observations of recognizable "color morphs" (e.g., Snow Goose "White" morph vs. "Blue" morph) and/or subspecies (e.g., Northern Oriole "Baltimore" race vs. "Bullock's" race) with your summary.



INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS (continued):

4. On field trips where more than one life zone is visited, please submit individual totals of species and numbers for each species found in each life zone (e.g., Plains, Foothills, Mountains, Alpine).
5. Individual field trips are acceptable and will be published along with the results of regularly scheduled DFO field trips depending upon space and interest.
6. Deadline for receipt of all field trip reports is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the current monthly summaries.
7. Please notify the Editor (Jack Reddall - Tel. 771-5308) if a field trip is cancelled for any reason.

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PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.  
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- JULY 1, Saturday. PLAINS CONSERVATION CENTER. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the Park and Ride at I-225 and Parker Road. Good area for Grasshopper Sparrows! \*
- 1&2, Saturday and Sunday. NORTH PARK, ARAPAHO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE AND COLORADO STATE FOREST. Leader: Bob Spencer (279-4682). Meet leader at 9:00 A.M. at Safeway parking lot in Fraser for birding along the way. Camping about one mile north of town (primitive) or stay at North Park Motel (1-723-4271).
- 5, Wednesday. GOLDEN GATE CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Alan Hay (422-0239). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Berkeley Senior Center in Berkeley Park, West 46th Avenue east of Sheridan Blvd. \*
- 8, Saturday. JEFFERSON, PARK COUNTY, GEORGIA PASS AND HACK RANCH. Leader: Carol Hack (777-7893). Meet 7 A.M. Bear Valley Shopping Center, South Sheridan Blvd. north of Hampden (U.S. Hwy. 285), southwest section along creek bank south from the Pancake House. Meet leader at 8:30 A.M. at the gas station in Jefferson. \*
- 9, Sunday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe (659-8069). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Nature Center inside Barr Lake State Park.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -day trip.
- 12, Wednesday. "CENTURY RUN". A try for 100+ species in one day. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Limited to the first three who call leader. Plan on a long and strenuous day. \*
- 15, Saturday. ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK. Leader: Phil Hayes (232-7421). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Wheat Ridge Methodist Church on the southeast corner of West 38th Avenue and Wadsworth Blvd. or at the National Park Headquarters at 8:15 A.M. \*
- 16, Sunday. REYNOLDS PARK & PINE AREA. Leader: Mel Gabel (674-6270). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Bear Valley Shopping Center, South Sheridan Blvd. north of Hampden (U.S. Hwy. 285), southwest section along the creek bank south from the Pancake House or meet leader at 8:00 A.M. at Conifer on Frontage Road at entrance to Safeway parking lot. \*
- 22, Saturday. FILIUS PARK, ECHO LAKE, SUMMIT LAKE & MOUNT EVANS. Leader: Lynn Willcockson (757-7000). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at the Park and Ride, West 6th Avenue and Union or at Filius Park at 8:00 A.M. \*
- 23, Sunday. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Irv Jackson (233-2171). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Park and Ride at South Wadsworth Blvd. south of Hampden (U.S. Hwy. 285) or at the west gate to Chatfield SRA at 7:30 A.M. Lunch optional.



JULY 26, Wednesday. NIGHT OWLING AT THE WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: David Martin (422-9143). Meet at 9:00 P.M. at east parking lot by Sewer Treatment Plant at end of West 41st Avenue west of Kipling Street. Bring a flashlight.

29&30, Saturday & Sunday. TAMARACK RANCH SWA, RED LION SWA & JUMBO RESERVOIR SWA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Hunter Check Station at Tamarack Ranch SWA (one-half mile north of Crook exit on I-76) on Saturday morning. Sunday schedule will be determined. Camping at the Hunter Check Station at Tamarack Ranch SWA or at Jumbo Reservoir SWA. Motels in Sterling or Julesburg. Be prepared for very hot weather! CALL LEADER IF YOU PLAN TO GO. \*

30, Sunday. BURLAND RANCHETTES. Leader: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 7:15 A.M. at the Bear Valley Shopping Center, South Sheridan Blvd. north of Hampden (U.S. Hwy. 285), southwest section along the creek bank south from the Pancake House or at 8:00 A.M. at Conifer on the Frontage Road near the entrance to the Safeway parking lot. \*

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Submitted by: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

FIELD TRIP COORDINATORS

TUESDAY BIRDERS: You are welcomed to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

FALL MIGRATION CALENDAR ATTACHED

The March 1989 issue of the Lark Bunting contained the "Migration Calendar of Birds of the Plains of Colorado - Denver Area - North and East" as compiled by Harold R. Holt in March of 1980. This Migration Calendar was for the Spring arriving and departure dates. Attached to this issue of the Lark Bunting is the companion calendar for Fall Migration dates.

LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT

MIGRATION CALENDAR

-(FALL)-

| AVERAGE<br>DATE | arriving<br>species     | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>arrival<br>date | departing<br>species | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>departure<br>date |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| JUNE            |                         |                                  |                            |                      |                                  |                              |
| 28              | Lesser Yellowlegs       | M                                | (6/19/60)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
| JULY            |                         |                                  |                            |                      |                                  |                              |
| 3               | Marbled Godwit          | #M                               | 6/21/64                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 8               | Baird's Sandpiper       | M                                | 6/30/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Rufous Hummingbird      | #M (tr)                          | 6/27/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 10              | Sage Thrasher           | M*B (B-mt)                       | (7/3/76)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 12              | Solitary Sandpiper      | M                                | 6/28/78                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Western Sandpiper       | M                                | 7/2/78                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 13              | Greater Yellowlegs      | M                                | 6/26/76                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 17              | Least Sandpiper         | M                                | 7/3/78                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Franklin's Gull         | M                                | (7/5/65)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Chipping Sparrow        | M (B-tr)                         | 7/8/77                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 19              | Black Tern              | M*B                              | (7/9/77)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 21              | Galliope Hummingbird    | *M (tr)                          | 7/9/74                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 23              | Willet                  | #M                               | (7/15/79)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | American Woodcock       | *M                               | 7/5/74                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 24              | Snowy Plover            | *M*B                             | (7/5/63)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 25              | Long-billed Dowitcher   | M                                | (7/12/60)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
| 26              | Semipalmated Sandpiper  | #M                               | 7/19/55                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 27              | Stilt Sandpiper         | M                                | 7/20/69                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 28              | Louisiana Heron         | *M                               | 7/25/71                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 29              | Sanderling              | #M                               | 7/22/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | White-rumped Sandpiper  | *M                               | 7/14/74                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 30              | Sprague's Pipit         | *M                               | 7/25/61                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| AUGUST          |                         |                                  |                            |                      |                                  |                              |
| 6               | Semipalmated Plover     | #M                               | 7/16/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 7               | Eastern Phoebe          | #M*B                             | (7/23/78)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
| 8               | Olive-sided Flycatcher  | #M (B-mt)                        | 7/31/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 10              | Ash-throated Flycatcher | *M                               | 7/27/72                    | Fox Sparrow (Dusky)  | *B (mts)                         | 8/15/61                      |
| 12              | Evening Grosbeak        | irr.W*B (#B-tr)                  | (8/3/60)                   | Louisiana Heron      | *M                               | 8/17/71                      |
| 14              | Western Tanager         | M (B-tr)                         | 7/23/54                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 15              | American Coot           | M                                | B                          |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Wilson's Phalarope      | M                                | #B                         |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Ring-billed Gull        | MW                               | #S                         |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Common Tern             | #M                               | (7/31/61)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Red-breasted Nuthatch   | irr.W(B-mt)                      | (8/3/60)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 16              | Great Egret             | #M*B                             | (8/4/77)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 17              | White-winged Crossbill  | *W (mts)                         | 7/20/63                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 18              | Black-and-white Warbler | #M                               | 7/30/69                    | Purple Martin        | *B                               | 9/1/71                       |

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| AUGUST          |                          |                                  |                            |                      |                                  |                              |
| 19              | Black-necked Stilt       | #M*B                             | (8/8/65)                   | Upland Sandpiper     | *B                               | 9/10/78                      |
|                 | Black-bellied Plover     | #M                               | 8/11/79                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Pectoral Sandpiper       | M                                | 8/6/78                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Wilson's Warbler         | M (B-mts)                        | 8/5/78                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 20              | Great Crested Flycatcher | *M                               | 8/7/75                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Clay-colored Sparrow     | M                                | 8/6/58                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 21              | Northern Phalarope       | #M                               | 7/27/78                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Red Knot                 | *M                               | 8/3/78                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern Waterthrush     | #M                               | 8/13/62                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | MacGillivray's Warbler   | M (B-tr)                         | 8/8/61                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 22              | White-faced Ibis         | #M*B                             | (8/7/76)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Red-tailed Hawk          | W*B (B-tr)                       | (8/16/72)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Piping Plover            | *M                               | 8/10/67                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Least Flycatcher         | *M                               | 8/9/62                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Vesper Sparrow           | M*B (B-tr)                       | (8/5/72)                   |                      |                                  |                              |
| 23              | Peregrine Falcon         | *M (#B-tr)                       | 7/21/67                    | Eastern Pewee        | *B                               | 9/15/75                      |
| 24              | Forster's Tern           | M*B                              | (8/11/68)                  | Calliope Hummingbird | *M (tr)                          | 9/9/77                       |
|                 | Tree Swallow             | M*B (B-mt)                       | (8/11/68)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-thr. Gray Warbler  | *M                               | 8/8/77                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 25              | Little Blue Heron        | *M                               | 8/9/64                     |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Nashville Warbler        | #M                               | 8/12/72                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Baird's Sparrow          | *M                               | 8/8/76                     |                      |                                  |                              |
| 26              | Ruddy Turnstone          | *M                               | 8/11/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Short-billed Dowitcher   | *M                               | 8/11/73                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Prothonotary Warbler     | *M                               | 8/23/70                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Townsend's Warbler       | #M                               | 8/18/79                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | American Redstart        | M (#B-tr)                        | 8/16/70                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 27              | Buff-breasted Sandpiper  | *M                               | 8/22/76                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Western Flycatcher       | #M (B-mt)                        | 8/19/75                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Veery                    | *M (*B-tr)                       | 8/22/62                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Ovenbird                 | #M (*B-tr)                       | 8/19/72                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 28              | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher    | *M (*B-tr)                       | 8/27/63                    | Sedge Wren           | *B                               | (9/17/76)                    |
|                 | Black-headed Grosbeak    | M (B-tr)                         | 8/17/59                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 29              | Red-necked Grebe         | *M                               | 8/11/62                    | Sprague's Pipit      | *M                               | 9/1/69                       |
|                 | Green Heron              | #S*B                             | (8/22/76)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Hammond's Flycatcher     | *M (B-mt)                        | 8/23/70                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Virginia's Warbler       | #M (B-tr)                        | 8/21/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
| 30              | Common Pintail           | M                                | #B                         | Long-billed Curlew   | #B                               | 9/12/74                      |
|                 | Parasitic Jaeger         | *M                               | 8/17/77                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Willow Flycatcher        | M (B-tr)                         | 8/18/79                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Orange-crowned Warbler   | M                                | 8/21/76                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Rose-breasted Grosbeak   | *M                               | (8/24/63)                  |                      |                                  |                              |
| 31              | Summer Tanager           | *M (tr)                          | 8/15/79                    |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | Rufous-sided Towhee      |                                  |                            |                      |                                  |                              |
|                 | (Spotted)                | M (B-tr)                         | (8/23/60)                  |                      |                                  |                              |



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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| SEPTEMBER       |                                      |                                  |                            |                                |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Cattle Egret                         | #M*B                             | (8/7/74)                   | Yellow-crowned<br>Night-heron  | *S                               | 9/25/76                      |
|                 | American Wigeon                      | M                                | *S                         |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Turkey Vulture                       | #M (B-tr)                        | *B                         |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Killdeer                             | M                                | B                          |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Worm-eating Warbler                  | *M                               | 8/25/65                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 2               | Dunlin                               | *M                               | 8/22/77                    | Magnificent Hummingbird        | *B (tr)                          | 9/15/59                      |
|                 | Hooded Warbler                       | *M (*B-tr)                       | 8/22/77                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 3               | Western Grebe                        | M#BS                             | (8/26/61)                  | Black-billed Cuckoo            | *B                               | 9/19/72                      |
|                 | Rock Wren                            | M*B (B-tr)                       | (8/16/78)                  |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Solitary Vireo                       | M*B (B-tr)                       | (8/19/58)                  |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lazuli Bunting                       | M*B (B-tr)                       | (8/18/68)                  |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Pine Siskin                          | irr.W (B-mt)                     | 8/17/60                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 4               | White Pelican                        | M#BS                             | (8/25/75)                  | Bobolink                       | *B                               | 9/9/09                       |
|                 | Philadelphia Vireo                   | *M                               | 8/23/65                    | Orchard Oriole                 | #B                               | 9/13/72                      |
|                 | Tennessee Warbler                    | #M                               | 8/13/63                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Myrtle)    | M                                | 8/24/73                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 5               | Green-winged Teal                    | M                                | *S                         |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Bonaparte's Gull                     | M                                | 8/20/77                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Hairy Woodpecker (Mt)                | #W (B-mts)                       | 8/25/68                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Violet-green Swallow                 | #M (B-tr)                        | 8/28/76                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 6               | Scarlet Tanager                      | *M                               | 9/5/61                     | Northern Oriole<br>(Baltimore) | #B                               | 9/15/73                      |
| 7               | Horned Grebe                         | M                                | 8/25/58                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Dusky Flycatcher                     | *M (B-mt)                        | 9/1/64                     |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | White-breasted Nuthatch              | *B#W (B-mt)                      | 8/26/72                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-thr. Green Warbler             | *M                               | 8/22/79                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Chestnut-sided Warbler               | *M (*B-tr)                       | 8/25/64                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Green-tailed Towhee                  | M (B-tr)                         | 8/27/71                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Lincoln's Sparrow                    | M (B-mt)                         | 8/18/64                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 8               | Golden-winged Warbler                | *M                               | 9/5/64                     |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Audubon's) | M (B-mt)                         | 8/29/58                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | White-crowned Sparrow                | #W (B-mt)                        | 8/18/74                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Swainson's Thrush                    | M (B-mt)                         | 8/22/77                    | American Woodcock              | *M                               | 9/16/45                      |
|                 | Blackpoll Warbler                    | *M                               | 8/30/74                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Sage Sparrow                         | *M                               | 9/2/72                     |                                |                                  |                              |
| 10              | Eared Grebe                          | M irr.B                          | (8/30/75)                  | Buff-breasted Sandpiper        | *M                               | 9/13/64                      |
|                 | Gadwall                              | M                                | *S                         | Blue-throated Hummingbird      | *B(tr)                           | 9/23/78                      |
|                 | Sharp-shinned Hawk                   | #W (#B-tr)                       | 8/22/64                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Scrub Jay                            | *W (B-tr)                        | 8/14/74                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Townsend's Solitaire                 | #W (B-mt)                        | 8/22/64                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Pine Warbler                         | *M                               | 9/5/64                     |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Red-Crossbill                        | irr.W (B-mt)                     | 8/19/69                    |                                |                                  |                              |
| 11              | Sandhill Crane                       | M                                | 8/27/73                    | Bell's Vireo                   | *B                               | 10/3/74                      |
|                 | Ruby-crowned Kinglet                 | M (B-mt)                         | 8/28/63                    |                                |                                  |                              |
|                 | Water Pipit                          | M*W (B-alp)                      | (9/5/73)                   |                                |                                  |                              |

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| 12              | Cooper's Hawk            | #W (B-tr)                        | 8/24/69                    | Dickcissel               | irr.B                            | 9/30/56                      |
|                 | Cedar Waxwing            | irr.W (*B-tr)                    | 8/27/76                    | Cassin's Sparrow         | *B                               | (9/24/77)                    |
| 13              | Red Phalarope            | *M                               | 9/11/76                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Black-thr. Blue Warbler  | *M                               | 9/2/64                     | Northern Oriole          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Palm Warbler             | *M                               | 9/6/75                     | (Bullock's) B            |                                  | 9/29/62                      |
| 14              | Osprey                   | #M (B-mt)                        | 8/22/79                    | Eastern Kingbird         | B                                | 9/23/79                      |
|                 | Ruddy Duck               | M                                | #B                         | Flammulated Screech-owl  | *B (tr)                          | 9/17/78                      |
|                 | Herring Gull             | #W                               | 8/13/77                    | Gray Flycatcher          | *M                               | 9/23/79                      |
|                 | Clark's Nutcracker       | *M (B-mt)                        | 9/6/77                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 15              | Northern Shoveler        | M*B                              | #W                         | Blue Grosbeak            | *B                               | 9/28/77                      |
|                 | Northern Parula Warbler  | *M                               | 9/8/79                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 16              | Broad-winged Hawk        | *M                               | 9/3/77                     | Rufous Hummingbird       | #M (tr)                          | 10/1/78                      |
|                 | Common Poor-will         | #M (#B-tr)                       | 8/31/58                    |                          |                                  |                              |
|                 | Northern Junco (Oregon)  | W                                | 9/8/68                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 17              | Ring-necked Duck         | M#W                              | 8/23/70                    | Western Flycatcher       | #M                               | 10/4/78                      |
|                 | Pinyon Jay               | #W (B-mt)                        | 9/1/75                     | Olive-sided Flycatcher   | #M                               | 10/2/65                      |
|                 | Hermit Thrush            | M (B-mt)                         | 8/31/71                    | Ash-throated Flycatcher  | *M                               | 10/4/79                      |
|                 | Blackburnian Warbler     | *M                               | 9/9/77                     |                          |                                  |                              |
| 18              | Lesser Golden Plover     | *M                               | 8/23/53                    | Black Tern               | M                                | 10/2/64                      |
|                 | Common Snipe             | M                                | B                          | Yellow-billed Cuckoo     | #B                               | 10/8/72                      |
|                 | Magnolia Warbler         | #M                               | 9/11/64                    | Yellow Warbler           | B                                | 9/29/57                      |
| 19              | Red-shouldered Hawk      | *W                               | 9/2/77                     | Little Tern              | *B                               | 10/1/71                      |
|                 | Sabine's Gull            | *M                               | 9/3/68                     | Willow Flycatcher        | M                                | 9/28/70                      |
|                 | Steller's Jay            | *W (B-mts)                       | 9/1/75                     | Red-eyed Vireo           | #B                               | 10/14/75                     |
|                 | Gray-headed Junco        | W (B-mts)                        | 9/7/61                     | Lark Bunting             | B                                | (10/7/67)                    |
| 20              | Redhead                  | M                                | #B                         | Least Bittern            | *B                               | 10/9/77                      |
|                 | Golden-crowned Kinglet   | M*W (B-mts)                      | 9/4/77                     | Hammond's Flycatcher     | *M                               | 9/30/68                      |
|                 | Canada Warbler           | *M (*B-tr?)                      | 9/9/13                     | Bank Swallow             | M#B                              | 10/9/57                      |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Yellow-breasted Chat     | M*B (B-tr)                       | 10/5/64                      |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Hooded Warbler           | *M                               | 9/25/75                      |
| 21              | Wood Duck                | *B#W                             | 9/8/79                     | Broad-tailed Hummingbird | #M (B-tr)                        | 10/12/69                     |
|                 | Northern Harrier         | M                                | #B                         | Cassin's Kingbird        | #S                               | 9/30/73                      |
|                 | Mountain Chickadee       | #W (B-mts)                       | 9/1/62                     | Great Crested Flycatcher | *M                               | 10/14/75                     |
|                 | Field Sparrow            | *M                               | 8/31/68                    |                          |                                  |                              |
| 22              | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker |                                  |                            | Cinnamon Teal            | B                                | (10/9/70)                    |
|                 | (Red-naped) #M (B-mt)    |                                  | 8/25/63                    | Black-necked Stilt       | #M                               | 10/1/76                      |
|                 | Downy Woodpecker         |                                  |                            | Ruddy Turnstone          | *M                               | 9/28/41                      |
|                 | (Mt. Race) #W (B-mt)     |                                  | 9/4/72                     | Red Knot                 | *M                               | 10/5/74                      |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Western Pewee            | M*B (B-mt)                       | 10/29/59                     |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Cliff Swallow            | B                                | 10/10/56                     |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Golden-winged Warbler    | *M                               | 9/28/74                      |
| 23              | Merlin                   | *W                               | 9/3/77                     | Western Kingbird         | B                                | 10/3/75                      |
|                 | Northern Raven           | #W (B-mt)                        | 9/8/79                     | Violet-green Swallow     | #M                               | 10/9/60                      |
|                 | Cape May Warbler         | *M                               | 9/21/76                    | Warbling Vireo           | #M*B (B-mts)                     | 10/11/65                     |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Black-thr. Gray Warbler  | *M                               | 9/25/76                      |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Northern Waterthrush     | #M                               | 10/18/73                     |
|                 |                          |                                  |                            | Lazuli Bunting           | M                                | (10/7/65)                    |

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| 24              | Pomarine Jaeger            | *M                               | 9/15/63                    | White-rumped Sandpiper  | *M                               | 10/21/61                     |
|                 | <del>Rusty Blackbird</del> | <del>**W</del>                   | <del>9/16/59</del>         | Rough-winged Swallow    | #B                               | 10/9/60                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Brown Thrasher          | B                                | (10/6/68)                    |
| 25              | Brown Creeper              | #W (B-mt)                        | 9/11/71                    | Little Blue Heron       | *M                               | 10/6/76                      |
|                 | Bay-breasted Warbler       | *M (*B-tr)                       | 9/11/63                    | Great Egret             | #M                               | 10/20/79                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Snowy Egret             | #M                               | 10/20/79                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Sora                    | B                                | 10/10/77                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Red Phalarope           | *M                               | 10/1/78                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Red-headed Woodpecker   | B                                | (10/11/75)                   |
| 26              | Mountain Bluebird          | #M (-mt)                         | 9/18/71                    | Dusky Flycatcher        | *M                               | 10/3/59                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Lark Sparrow            | B                                | 10/13/62                     |
| 27              | Marsh Wren                 | #B*W                             | (9/5/77)                   | Solitary Sandpiper      | M                                | 11/2/74                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Short-billed Dowitcher  | *M                               | 10/4/75                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Tree Swallow            | M                                | 10/25/76                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Indigo Bunting          | #B                               | 10/21/76                     |
| 28              | Canvasback                 | #M                               | (9/8/79)                   | White-faced Ibis        | #M                               | 10/1/78                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Marbled Godwit          | #M                               | 10/21/77                     |
| 29              |                            |                                  |                            | Summer Tanager          | *M                               | 10/12/75                     |
| 30              |                            |                                  |                            | Virginia Rail           | #B                               | (10/15/61)                   |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Black-headed Grosbeak   | M                                | 10/21/73                     |
| OCTOBER         |                            |                                  |                            |                         |                                  |                              |
| 1               | Rough-legged Hawk          | W                                | 8/25/62                    | Mountain Plover         | B                                | 10/25/70                     |
|                 | Gray Jay                   | *W (B-mt)                        | 9/15/60                    | Common Tern             | #M                               | 10/23/76                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Virginia's Warbler      | #M                               | 10/20/60                     |
| 2               | Lesser Scaup               | M#W                              | (9/16/74)                  | Semipalmated Sandpiper  | #M                               | 10/21/61                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Williamson's Sapsucker  | B (tr)                           | 10/17/70                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Gray Catbird            | *B (B-tr)                        | 11/1/61                      |
| 3               | White-throated Sparrow     | #W                               | 9/18/64                    | Prothonotary Warbler    | *M                               | 10/18/68                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Green-tailed Towhee     | M                                | 10/18/69                     |
| 4               | Red-tailed Hawk (Harlan's) | #W                               | 9/18/65                    | Wilson's Phalarope      | B                                | 10/22/60                     |
|                 | Wood Thrush                | *M                               | 9/21/77                    | Least Flycatcher        | *M                               | 10/13/75                     |
|                 | Cassin's Finch             | irr.W (B-mt)                     | 9/21/69                    | Veery                   | *M                               | 10/26/54                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Common Yellowthroat     | B                                | (10/27/77)                   |
| 5               |                            |                                  |                            | White-throated Swift    | B (tr)                           | 10/17/76                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Brown-headed Cowbird    | B                                | (10/20/73)                   |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Western Tanager         | M                                | (10/20/69)                   |
| 6               | Red-bellied Woodpecker     | *W                               | 10/3/76                    | Turkey Vulture          | #M                               | 10/27/73                     |
|                 | Northern Junco             |                                  |                            | Semipalmated Plover     | #M                               | 10/25/71                     |
|                 | (Slate-colored) W          |                                  | 9/28/71                    | Spotted Sandpiper       | B                                | 10/25/69                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Common Nighthawk        | B                                | 11/5/61                      |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Northern Mockingbird    | B                                | #W                           |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Brewer's Sparrow        | #B                               | 10/25/61                     |
| 7               | Hooded Merganser           | M*W                              | 9/10/67                    | Chimney Swift           | #B                               | 10/17/67                     |
|                 | Carolina Wren              | *W                               | (9/11/74)                  | Yellow-headed Blackbird | B                                | (11/2/77)                    |
|                 | Northern Shrike            | #W                               | 9/16/74                    | MacGillivray's Warbler  | M                                | 10/30/75                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | American Redstart       | #M                               | 10/27/75                     |
|                 |                            |                                  |                            | Say's Phoebe            | B                                | 10/27/57                     |



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| 8               | Northern Goshawk      | *W                               | 9/25/61                    | Snowy Plover               | *M                               | 10/12/55                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Northern Phalarope         | #M                               | 10/27/63                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Eastern Phoebe             | *M                               | 10/24/76                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Philadelphia Vireo         | *M                               | 10/17/75                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Tennessee Warbler          | #M                               | 10/25/74                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Ovenbird                   | *M                               | 10/25/74                     |
| 9               |                       |                                  |                            | Swainson's Hawk            | B                                | 11/2/60                      |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Forster's Tern             | M                                | 11/7/76                      |
| 10              | Tree Sparrow          | W                                | 9/27/74                    | Western Sandpiper          | #M                               | 10/24/76                     |
|                 | Lapland Longspur      | #W                               | 9/18/56                    | Band-tailed Pigeon         | #B (tr)                          | (10/25/69)                   |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Barn Swallow               | B                                | 10/25/74                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Swainson's Thrush          | M                                | 10/28/61                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Grasshopper Sparrow        | #B                               | 10/31/75                     |
| 11              | Canada Goose          | MW                               | #B                         | Piping Plover              | *M                               | 10/23/71                     |
|                 | Snow Goose (white)    | #W                               | 9/20/70                    | Willet                     | #M                               | 10/28/64                     |
|                 | (blue)                | *W                               | 9/13/65                    | Stilt Sandpiper            | M                                | 10/22/77                     |
|                 | Bufflehead            | M*W                              | 9/21/75                    | <del>Say's Phoebe</del>    | <del>W/B</del>                   | <del>10/27/57</del>          |
|                 | Fox Sparrow (Eastern) | *W                               | 9/30/73                    | Chestnut-sided Warbler     | *M                               | 10/16/75                     |
| 12              | Northern Junco        |                                  |                            | Blackpoll Warbler          | *M                               | 10/29/61                     |
|                 | (White-winged)        | #W                               | 9/28/69                    | Baird's Sparrow            | *M                               | 10/29/74                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Sage Sparrow               | *M                               | 10/25/56                     |
| 13              | Vermilion Flycatcher  | *W                               | 10/11/52                   | Clay-colored Sparrow       | M                                | 10/26/68                     |
|                 | Swamp Sparrow         | #W                               | 10/5/74                    | Common Snipe               | M                                | W                            |
| 14              | Surf Scoter           | *W                               | 10/6/74                    | Northern House-wren        | B                                | 10/31/70                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Sage Thrasher              | M                                | (10/25/62)                   |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher      | *M                               | 11/4/76                      |
| 15              | Black Scoter          | *FM                              | 10/12/76                   | American Coot              | M                                | *W                           |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Savannah Sparrow           | M#B                              | 11/4/72                      |
| 16              | Rusty Blackbird       | *W                               | 9/16/59<br>9/19/71         | American Kestrel           | MB                               | #W                           |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Burrowing Owl              | B                                | (11/8/55)                    |
| 17              | Winter Wren           | *W                               | 9/23/47                    | Wilson's Warbler           | M                                | 11/8/76                      |
|                 | Purple Finch          | *W                               | 10/9/63                    | Vesper Sparrow             | M*B                              | 11/9/63                      |
| 18              | Arctic Loon           | #M                               | 9/23/73                    | American Bittern           | #B                               | 11/5/77                      |
|                 | White-fronted Goose   | *W                               | 9/26/70                    | Sanderling                 | #M                               | 11/6/76                      |
|                 | Short-eared Owl       | #W*B                             | (9/16/78)                  | Common Poor-will           | #M                               | 10/29/62                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Solitary Vireo             | #M                               | 11/12/77                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Rose-breasted Grosbeak     | *M                               | 11/9/75                      |
| 19              | Common Merganser      | W                                | (9/28/63)                  | Northern Parula Warbler    | *M                               | 10/24/61                     |
| 20              | Harris' Sparrow       | #W                               | 9/29/63                    | Chestnut-collared Longspur | #B                               | 11/15/75                     |
| 21              | Bewick's Wren         | *W                               | 10/9/60                    | Black-crowned Night-heron  | B                                | (11/12/77)                   |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Osprey                     | #M                               | 11/1/77                      |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Blue-winged Teal           | B                                | (11/6/75)                    |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Western Bluebird           | B (tr)                           | (11/5/61)                    |
| 22              | Common Loon           | M                                | (10/8/77)                  | Canada Warbler             | *M                               | 10/27/70                     |
|                 |                       |                                  |                            | Lincoln's Sparrow          | M                                | (10/30/61)                   |

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| 23              | Black-legged Kittiwake  | *M                               | 10/17/76                   | Great Blue Heron                        | B                                | (11/6/76)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Broad-winged Hawk                       | #M                               | 11/1/61                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Loggerhead Shrike                       | B                                | (11/6/55)                    |
| 24              | Northern Cardinal       | *W (*B-east)                     | 10/4/70                    | Black-and-white Warbler                 | #M                               | 11/20/51                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Townsend's Warbler                      | #M                               | 11/19/72                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Scarlet Tanager                         | *M                               | 11/6/56                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Rufous-sided Towhee<br>(Spotted)        | M                                | (11/17/79)                   |
| 25              |                         |                                  |                            | Lesser Golden Plover                    | *M                               | 11/9/75                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Baird's Sandpiper                       | M                                | 11/8/74                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Rock Wren                               | M                                | (11/15/76)                   |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Hermit Thrush                           | M                                | (11/13/78)                   |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Common Grackle                          | B                                | (11/8/79)                    |
| 26              | Red-breasted Merganser  | #W                               | 10/8/73                    | Field Sparrow                           | *M                               | 11/24/56                     |
| 28              | American Dipper         | *W (B-mts)                       | 10/4/59                    | Pectoral Sandpiper                      | #M                               | 11/17/61                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Orange-crowned Warbler                  | M                                | 12/4/65                      |
| 29              | Bald Eagle              | #W                               | 10/17/75                   | Greater Yellowlegs                      | M                                | 11/20/63                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Black-thr. Blue Warbler                 | *M                               | 11/27/60                     |
| 30              | Common Goldeneye        | W                                | 10/17/70                   | American Robin                          | B (*W-tr)                        | (11/14/60)                   |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | McCown's Longspur                       | #B                               | 11/27/77                     |
| 31              | Black Duck              | *W                               | 10/16/76                   | White Pelican                           | M                                | 11/15/75                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Mourning Dove                           | B                                | (11/13/75)                   |
| NOVEMBER        |                         |                                  |                            |                                         |                                  |                              |
| 1               |                         |                                  |                            | Gadwall                                 | M                                | #W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Lesser Yellowlegs                       | M                                | 11/20/74                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Blackburnian Warbler                    | *M                               | 11/19/78                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Bay-breasted Warbler                    | *M                               | 11/17/74                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Western Meadowlark                      | B                                | #W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Chipping Sparrow                        | M                                | 11/24/77                     |
| 2               | Whistling Swan          | #M                               | 10/15/73                   | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker<br>(Red-naped) | M                                | 12/1/75                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Brewer's Blackbird                      | #B                               | (11/19/77)                   |
| 3               |                         |                                  |                            | Green Heron                             | #S*B                             | 11/30/56                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Dark-backed Goldfinch                   | B (tr)                           | (11/21/78)                   |
| 4               | Bushtit                 | *W (*B-tr)                       | (10/19/77)                 | Long-billed Dowitcher                   | M                                | 11/21/58                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Black-thr. Green Warbler                | *M                               | 11/18/75                     |
| 5               | Thayer's Gull           | *W                               | 10/21/56                   | Common Pintail                          | M                                | *W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Least Sandpiper                         | M                                | 11/30/63                     |
| 6               | Ross' Goose             | *W                               | 10/10/54                   | American Avocet                         | B                                | 12/5/64                      |
|                 | Gray-crowned Rosy Finch |                                  | 10/25/68                   | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Myrtle)       | M                                | (11/28/64)                   |
| 7               | White-winged Scoter     | *M                               | 10/24/74                   | Black-bellied Plover                    | #M                               | 12/9/61                      |
| 8               | Barrow's Goldeneye      | *W                               | 10/30/64                   | Cattle Egret                            | #M                               | 11/21/71                     |
|                 | Pine Grosbeak           | *FM (#B-mt)                      | 11/4/60                    | Wood Thrush                             | *M                               | 11/18/76                     |

| AVERAGE<br>DATE | arriving<br>species     | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>arrival<br>date | departing<br>species                 | principal<br>status<br>on plains | extreme<br>departure<br>date |
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| NOVEMBER        |                         |                                  |                            |                                      |                                  |                              |
| 9               | Northern Pygmy-owl      | *W (tr)<br>(#B-mts)              | 10/23/76                   | Pomarine Jaeger                      | *M                               | 11/29/70                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Mountain Bluebird                    | M                                | (12/2/59)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Nashville Warbler                    | *M                               | 12/1/75                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Magnolia Warbler                     | *M                               | 12/3 60                      |
| 10              | Brown-capped Rosy Finch | *W (B-alpine)<br>(*W-mts)        | 10/27/72                   | Worm-eating Warbler                  | *M                               | 11/18/65                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Sandhill Crane                       | M                                | (11/30/63)                   |
| 11              | Black Rosy Finch        | *W (#W-mts)                      | 10/27/72                   | Northern Harrier                     | M                                | #W                           |
| 12              | Red-throated Loon       | *FM                              | 10/27/76                   | Sabine's Gull                        | *M                               | 12/1/77                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Cape May Warbler                     | *M                               | 11/23/74                     |
| 13              |                         |                                  |                            | Eastern Bluebird                     | *B                               | (11/29/62)                   |
| 14              | Bohemian Waxwing        | irr.W                            | 10/27/72                   | Dunlin                               | *M                               | 11/24/77                     |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Pine Grosbeak                        | *FM                              | 11/18/75                     |
| 15              | Oldsquaw                | *W                               | 10/22/30                   | American Wigeon                      | M                                | *W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Northern Shoveler                    | M                                | #W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Water Pipit                          | M                                | (12/1/65)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Yellow-rumped Warbler<br>(Audubon's) | M                                | (11/30/57)                   |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Red-winged Blackbird                 | M                                | W                            |
| 16              | Greater Scaup           | *W                               | 10/22/32                   | Red-necked Grebe                     | *M                               | 11/28/70                     |
| 18              |                         |                                  |                            | Franklin's Gull                      | M                                | 12/14/75                     |
| 20              |                         |                                  |                            | Parasitic Jaeger                     | *M                               | 12/17/73                     |
| 21              |                         |                                  |                            | California Gull                      | S#B                              | (12/5/71)                    |
| 22              |                         |                                  |                            | Double-crested Cormorant             | B                                | (12/5/70)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Ruddy Duck                           | M                                | (11/30/76)                   |
| 23              | Common Redpoll          | #W irr.                          | 10/30/65                   | Black Scoter                         | *FM                              | 12/3/73                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Bonaparte's Gull                     | M                                | 12/7/76                      |
| 24              | Snowy Owl               | *W                               | 11/8/74                    | Artic Loon                           | *FM                              | 12/8/74                      |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Eared Grebe                          | M*B                              | (12/6/69)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Pied-billed Grebe                    | B                                | (12/2/79)                    |
| 25              | Varied Thrush           | *W                               | 11/15/64                   | Palm Warbler                         | *M                               | 12/17/62                     |
| 27              | Gyr Falcon              | *W                               | 11/10/74                   | Western Grebe                        | M                                | (12/4/64)                    |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Ruby-crowned Kinglet                 | M                                | (12/8/56)                    |
| 28              |                         |                                  |                            | Common Loon                          | M                                | (12/8/74)                    |
| 29              |                         |                                  |                            | Canvasback                           | #M                               | *W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Pine Warbler                         | *M                               | 12/15/79                     |
| 30              |                         |                                  |                            | Horned Grebe                         | M                                | (12/12/76)                   |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Green-winged Teal                    | M                                | #W                           |
| DECEMBER        |                         |                                  |                            |                                      |                                  |                              |
| 1               |                         |                                  |                            | Redhead                              | M                                | *W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Ring-necked Duck                     | M                                | *W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Killdeer                             | BM                               | #W                           |
| 5               |                         |                                  |                            | Lesser Scaup                         | M                                | #W                           |
|                 |                         |                                  |                            | Peregrine Falcon                     | *M                               | 12/26/54                     |



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|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| DECEMBER        |                                       |                                  |                            |                        |                                  |                              |
| 7               |                                       |                                  |                            | Bufflehead             | M                                | *W                           |
| 9               | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker<br>(Eastern) | *W                               | 11/11/56                   |                        |                                  |                              |
| 12              | Golden-crowned Sparrow                | *W                               | 11/4/23                    |                        |                                  |                              |
| 13              | Glaucous Gull                         | #W                               | 11/23/54                   | White-fronted Goose    | #M                               | (12/26/64)                   |
| 18              |                                       |                                  |                            | Hooded Merganser       | #M                               | *W                           |
| 21              |                                       |                                  |                            | Red-breasted Merganser | #M                               | (12/27/70)                   |
| 22              | Snow Bunting                          | *W                               | 11/11/78                   | Red-throated Loon      | *M                               | 12/25/77                     |
| 24              |                                       |                                  |                            | Black-legged Kittiwake | *M                               | 1/2/70                       |
| 25              |                                       |                                  |                            | White-winged Scoter    | *M                               | 1/8/71                       |
| 26              |                                       |                                  |                            | Gray Jay               | *FM                              | 1/22/62                      |
| 29              |                                       |                                  |                            | Whistling Swan         | #M                               | 1/22/61                      |

The preceeding list of bird species have been arranged in order of their average arrival and/or departure dates. These dates have been determined from all available records, with the number of years used varying according to the regularity of the species. With the most common species the number of years used to date has run from 22-25, and for the rare species the years used have only been 5-6.

It is hoped that by using this calendar more observers will contribute their first and last observations of seasonal species to their respective publishers for the purpose of making future averaging even more accurate. All species observed before the average arrival date, and those found after the average departure date should be reported. All reports of rare sightings should be most useful.

It is the wishes of this compiler that his efforts in compiling this list will benefit and enhance the interest in our hobby and the general knowledge of ornithology of our area. He also wishes to thank all those past, present and future observers for their help in making this list possible.

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JUNE 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Jack Reddall, compiler):

- JUNE 3, Saturday. Chatfield Arboretum & Deer Creek Canyon (CH-DC). Leader: Bobbie Ausfahl. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Mary Dexter, Hazel Kellogg, Alberta Nelson, Ira Sanders, Ruth Wheeler. (Overcast; Wind, calm; 54°-65°). 19 miles by car, 2.25 miles on foot. 3 hours birding. (46 species, 304 individuals).
- 4, Sunday. Trip aborted due to mechanical problems.
- 5, Monday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to Tamarack Ranch SWA, Red Lion SWA, Jumbo Reservoir SWA, Sterling (cemetery) and return to Denver (NECO). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Clear becoming partly cloudy to cloudy; Wind, S 5-15 MPH; 39°-75°). 387 miles by car; 3 miles on foot. 12 hours birding. (84 species, 1926 individuals).
- 7, Wednesday. Chatfield SRA (CRA). Leader: Anne Southcott. Observers: Hazel Kellogg, Ruth Wheeler, Eleanor White, Virgil Williams. (Partly cloudy; Wind, light; 60°-74°). 16 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. (52 species, 816 individuals).

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- JUNE 10, Saturday. Boulder County : Hessie area & Arapahoe Ranch (BC). Leader: Bob Jickling. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Angela Bailey, Ruth Breckon, Marilyn Clark, Kathleen Gibson, David Gulbenkian, Alan & Dee Hay, Hazel Kellogg, Jack Reddall, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Mort Staatz, Ruth Wheeler, Amy Young. (Clear in A.M; mostly cloudy in P.M. with thundershowers; Wind, 0-5 MPH; 53°-65°). 46 miles by car, 2.5 miles on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (45 species, 284 individuals).
- 11, Sunday. Apex Park (AP). Leader: Dick Schottler. Observer: Randy Lentz. (Mostly cloudy; Wind, 0-5 MPH; 60°-75°). Zero miles by car, 5.5 miles on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (52 species, 280 individuals).
- 12&13, Monday & Tuesday. Southeastern Colorado: Denver to Limon and Ordway; Lake Henry, Lake Meredith, Rocky Ford SWA, Holbrook Reservoir, Cheraw Lake, Horsecreek Reservoir SWA (Timber Lake), La Junta, Las Animas, Adobe Creek Reservoir (Blue Lake) returning via Fowler, Pueblo and Colorado Springs (SEC). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy with P.M. thunderstorms on 6-12; overcast, light rain becoming partly cloudy on 6-13; Wind, NE 15-25 MPH; 50°-70°). 515 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 20 hours birding. (82 species, 3441 individuals).
- 14, Wednesday. Barr Lake State Park & Vicinity (BARR). Leaders: Glenn & Jeane Hageman. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Marge Armitage, Mike & Rose Barber, Doug & Dorothy Gale, Hazel Kellogg, Freda Krolik, Harry Kuesel, Jean Morgan, Don & Jo Shrode, Anne Southcott, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams. (Cloudy to partly cloudy; Wind, calm; 50°-60°). 13 miles by car, 3.5 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (47 species, 644 individuals).
- 17, Saturday. Longmont/Lyons area: Jim Hamm Nature Area, Union Reservoir, Foster Reservoir, Lyons area (LMT/LYN). Leader: Bill Prather. Observers: Irma Appelgren, Ruth Breckon, Nancy Decio, Hilda Eichenberger, Alan & Dee Hay, Joe Himmel, Kathy Holt, Irv Jackson, Bob Jickling, Twyla Jorgensen, Hazel Kellogg, Sharon Polhamas, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler, Amy Young. (Mostly clear; Wind, light; 70°-80°). 23 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (52 species, 905 individuals).
- 18, Sunday. No trip scheduled.
- 21, Wednesday. Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCK). Leader: Phil Hayes. Observers: Marge Armitage, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Kathy Holt, Beth Jackson, Terri McEntee, Don & Jo Shrode, Helen Singer, Joe TenBrink, Virgil Williams. (Mostly cloudy; Wind, 0-10 MPH; 55°-65°). 6 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (49 species, 419 individuals).
- 24, Saturday. Phantom Canyon-North Fork of Cache La Poudre River, Larimer County (PH). Leaders: Steve Williams (DFO) & Wendy Ledbetter (The Nature Conservancy). Observers: Ruth Breckon, David & Sarah Christian, Marilyn Clark, JoAnn Kyhl, Sister Sheila O'Neill, Harold & Betty Oliver, Dorothy Percy, Arlene Raskin, Joe TenBrink, Jean VanLoan, Sister Mary Walter, Ruth Wheeler. (Clear with P.M. showers; Wind, NW 15 MPH; 55°-70°). 6 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (33 species, 169 individuals).
- 25, Sunday. Bear Creek-Plains to foothills (BC). Leader: Cal Wichern. Observers: Randy Lentz, Pearl Jordan, Hugh Ravatt, Chuck Romeo, Anne Southcott, Becky Vucetich, Eleanor White, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, light; 50°-80°). 25 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 7 hours birding. (57 species, 365 individuals).

JUNE 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Nine DFO scheduled and two individual field trips recorded 171 species of birds during June with some noteworthy finds. One American Bittern turned up on the Barr Lake field trip on June 14 for the only report of this species during the month. A Trumpeter Swan was recorded on the 17th in the Longmont/Lyons area, but no details surrounding the occurrence of this extremely rare bird in Colorado were submitted (only 6 records going back to 1915 in the CFO Records files). A single adult "white" morph Snow Goose was found on the 12th at Adobe Creek Reservoir (Blue Lake) north of Las Animas in Bent County. The nesting pair of Bald Eagles and their two offsprings were seen on the field trip to Barr Lake S.P. on June 14. Immediately thereafter, one of the fledgling birds disappeared and was feared lost. However, it reappeared on June 27 much to the delight of all concerned. A Northern Goshawk was spotted circling high over the Arapahoe Ranch near Eldora on the 10th.

Two snowy Plovers were observed running about on a small sand bar on June 12 at Cheraw Lake in Otero County where they likely nest. A single Mountain Plover was seen just south of Blue Lake in Bent County also on the 12th. A total of 17 Black-necked Stilts were counted at Lake Meredith near Ordway and at Blue Lake on the 12th and 13th. A Long-billed Curlew was present on the west shore of Blue Lake on June 12 while forty White-rumped Sandpipers were observed foraging in the mud flats just below the southwest dam at Jumbo Reservoir on June 5. Also on June 5, a late Pectoral Sandpiper was found in a flooded field along the South Platte River about five miles west of Merino. One Caspian Tern was located at Lake Henry east of Ordway standing on a mud flat about 100-150 yards from where the first state record for Colorado was recorded in 1974! Two Least Terns were sighted on the 12th flying toward a large island in the middle of Blue Lake (see "Additional Reports" for more details). One Black-billed Cuckoo and one Yellow-billed Cuckoo were present at the Tamarack Ranch SWA on June 5.

A Rufous Hummingbird was reported by the field trip to Phantom Canyon up the Cache La Poudre River on June 24 without details (no Broad-tailed Hummingbirds were reported!). This is an extremely early fall record for this species which apparently does not migrate northward through the Rocky Mountains of Colorado and generally doesn't appear on its southward journey in our state until mid-July at the earliest. One Scissor-tailed Flycatcher surprised the field trip at Chatfield SRA on the 7th. There have been several reports this spring of this southern kingbird from eastern Colorado along the Front Range. A Bewick's Wren was seen and heard singing on June 13 at the Rocky Ford SWA where it has been seen in previous years and is probably nesting. A Curve-billed Thrasher was spotted on the 13th among the stand of cholla cactus just north of Fowler at Colorado Highway 96 and County Road LN 3 where it is a resident bird.

A singing Orange-crowned Warbler was observed in a thick stand of willows on the Arapahoe Ranch near Eldora by members of the field trip to that area on June 10. Two American Redstarts were found on the 7th at the Chatfield SRA where they nest. A single Cassin's Sparrow was seen delivering its flight song at the Tamarack Ranch SWA on June 5. Two "Slate-colored" race Fox Sparrows were glimpsed flying into the willow marsh at Hessie on the 10th, but could not be coaxed into view again. Finally, a male Bobolink was sighted at the Condon Ranch adjacent to the Tamarack Ranch SWA on June 5 in a large meadow that usually contains several pair every year.

| JUNE 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 3<br>CH-DC<br>PL FH | 5<br>NECO<br>PLNS | 7<br>CRA<br>PLN | 10<br>BC<br>FM | 11<br>AP<br>FH | 12-<br>13<br>SEC<br>PLN | 14<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 17<br>LMT/LYN<br>PLN FHL | 21<br>CCK<br>PLN | 24<br>PH<br>MT | 25<br>BC<br>PF |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Pied-billed Grebe                               |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 2                       | 3a1i               |                          |                  |                | 1              |
| Eared Grebe                                     |                     |                   | 4               |                |                | 7                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Western Grebe                                   |                     | 7                 | 5               |                |                | 73                      | 11                 | 20                       |                  |                | 4              |
| Clark's Grebe                                   |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 7                       |                    | 2                        |                  |                |                |
| American White Pelican                          |                     | 3                 |                 |                |                | 52                      | 8                  | 40                       |                  |                |                |
| Double-crested Cormorant                        | 11                  | 35                | 263             |                |                | 188                     | 227                | 6                        | 65               |                | 12             |
| American Bittern                                |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         | 1                  |                          |                  |                |                |
| Great Blue Heron                                | 3                   | 5                 | 134             |                |                | 19                      | 6                  | 1                        | 12N              |                | 8              |
| Snowy Egret                                     |                     |                   | 1               |                |                | 2                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                       |                     | 1ad               |                 |                |                |                         | 5                  |                          | 20               |                | 5              |
| White-faced Ibis                                |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 5                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Trumpeter Swan (No details)                     |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    | <u>1</u>                 |                  |                |                |
| Snow Goose                                      |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| "White" morph                                   |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 1ad                     |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Canada Goose                                    | 18                  | 15                | 81              |                |                |                         | 6                  | 12                       | 12               |                | 8              |
| Wood Duck                                       |                     | 1m1f              |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Green-winged Teal                               |                     | 1ma               |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Mallard                                         | 1                   | 15                | 10              | 2m             | 3              | 21                      | 18                 | 15                       | 19               |                | 15             |
| Northern Pintail                                |                     | 1f7i              |                 |                |                | 4                       | 3                  |                          |                  |                | 1              |
| Blue-winged Teal                                |                     | 1ma               |                 |                |                | 11                      | 4                  |                          | 8                |                |                |
| Cinnamon Teal                                   | 1                   | 2ma               |                 |                |                | 4                       | 5                  |                          |                  |                | 2              |
| Northern Shoveler                               |                     | 3ma               |                 |                |                | 2                       | 1                  |                          |                  |                |                |
| Gadwall                                         |                     | 2ma               |                 |                |                | 6                       | 12                 | 2                        | 4                |                | 1              |
| American Wigeon                                 |                     | 1ma               |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Redhead                                         |                     | 2ma               |                 |                |                | 130                     | 8                  | 2                        |                  |                |                |
| Lesser Scaup                                    |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 10                      |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Common Merganser                                |                     |                   | 2               |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Ruddy Duck                                      |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 28                      | 5                  |                          |                  |                |                |
| Turkey Vulture                                  | 3                   |                   | 2               | 2              |                |                         |                    |                          |                  | 5              |                |
| Bald Eagle                                      |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         | 2a2i               |                          |                  |                |                |
| Northern Harrier                                |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 1fe                     |                    |                          | 2                |                |                |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                              |                     |                   |                 | 1              |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Cooper's Hawk                                   |                     |                   |                 |                | 1              |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Northern Goshawk                                |                     |                   |                 | 1              |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Swainson's Hawk                                 |                     | 6                 |                 |                |                |                         | 2                  |                          |                  |                |                |
| "Light" morph                                   |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 4                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                 | 1                   |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  | 1              |                |
| "Western" race-"Light"                          |                     | 4                 |                 | 2              | 2              | 1                       |                    |                          | 2                |                | 2              |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  | 1              |                |
| Golden Eagle                                    |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  | 2              |                |
| American Kestrel                                | 1                   | 6                 | 5               |                | 2              | 9                       | 2                  | 5                        | 1                | 1              | 4              |
| Prairie Falcon                                  |                     | 1                 |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                            |                     | 3                 |                 |                |                |                         | 1                  |                          | 1H               |                |                |
| Northern Bobwhite                               |                     | 7                 |                 |                |                | 2                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Scaled Quail                                    |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Virginia Rail                                   |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         | 1                  |                          | 2                |                |                |
| Sora                                            |                     |                   |                 |                |                |                         |                    |                          | 1                |                |                |
| American Coot                                   | 1                   | 8                 |                 |                |                | 10                      | 17                 | 5                        | 1                |                | 1              |
| Snowy Plover                                    |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 2                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Killdeer                                        | 6                   | 20                | 2               |                |                | 96                      | 4                  | 6                        | 19               |                | 3              |
| Mountain Plover                                 |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 1                       |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| Black-necked Stilt                              |                     |                   |                 |                |                | 17                      |                    |                          |                  |                |                |
| American Avocet                                 |                     | 4                 |                 |                |                | 20                      |                    |                          |                  |                |                |



| MAY<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 13<br>LBC<br>PLN | 13<br>CSRA<br>PLNS | 13<br>WTR<br>PLN | 14<br>CCRA<br>PLNS | 14<br>CWC<br>FHL | 14<br>RMA<br>PLN | 14<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 14<br>BLP<br>PLN | 14<br>BCP<br>PLN | SPRING<br>COUNT<br>TOTAL |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| American Avocet                           |                  | 2                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                  |                    | 65               |                  | 68                       |
| Greater Yellowlegs                        |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    | 1                |                  | 1                        |
| Lesser Yellowlegs                         |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 2                  |                  |                  | 3                        |
| Solitary Sandpiper                        |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 1                |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Willet                                    |                  | 1                  |                  | 15                 |                  |                  |                    | 1                | 2                | 19                       |
| Spotted Sandpiper                         | 6                | 11                 | 5                | 6                  |                  | 5                | 8                  | 14               | 4                | 59                       |
| Whimbrel                                  |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    | 11               |                  | 12                       |
| Long-billed Curlew                        |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 2                |                    |                  |                  | 2                        |
| Marbled Godwit                            |                  | 2                  |                  | 25                 |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 27                       |
| Sanderling                                |                  | 2                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 2                        |
| Least Sandpiper                           |                  | 10                 |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 10                       |
| Baird's Sandpiper                         | 2                | 6                  |                  |                    |                  | 5                |                    | 10               |                  | 23                       |
| Pectoral Sandpiper                        |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 1                |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Long-billed Dowitcher                     |                  | 10                 | 2                |                    |                  | 6                |                    | 37               |                  | 55                       |
| Common Snipe                              |                  |                    |                  | 3                  |                  |                  |                    | 1                |                  | 4                        |
| Wilson's Phalarope                        | 5                | 30                 | 9                | 10                 |                  | 64               | 38                 | 244              | 4                | 404                      |
| Red-necked Phalarope                      |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  | 2                  |                  |                  | 2                        |
| Franklin's Gull                           |                  | 2                  |                  | 3                  |                  | 3                | 12                 | 15               |                  | 35                       |
| Ring-billed Gull                          | 21               | 50                 |                  | 15                 |                  | 1                |                    | 16               | 4                | 107                      |
| California Gull                           | 11               | 6                  |                  | 20                 |                  | 1                | 33                 | 5                | 2                | 78                       |
| Caspian Tern                              |                  | 3                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 3                        |
| Forster's Tern                            |                  |                    |                  | 15                 |                  |                  | 2                  | 24               |                  | 41                       |
| Black Tern                                |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  | 7                  | 5                |                  | 12                       |
| Rock Dove                                 | 5                | 2                  | 7                |                    | 3                | 5                | 19                 | 9                |                  | 50                       |
| Mourning Dove                             | 40               | 25                 | 22               | 15                 | 15               | 48               | 42                 | 41               | 18               | 266                      |
| Great Horned Owl                          |                  | 2ad                |                  | 3a3i               | 1                | 9N               | 2                  | 7                |                  | 27                       |
| Burrowing Owl                             |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |                  | 4                |                    |                  |                  | 5                        |
| Long-eared Owl                            |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 1                |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Common Poorwill                           |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 1                |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| White-throated Swift                      |                  |                    | 5                |                    | 3                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 8                        |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird                  |                  | 1                  | 8                |                    | 2                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 11                       |
| Belted Kingfisher                         | 3                | 2                  | 2                | 1                  | 2                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 10                       |
| Red-headed Woodpecker                     |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  | 1                | 1                  |                  |                  | 2                        |
| Downy Woodpecker                          | 4                | 3                  | 5                | 2                  | 1                | 4                | 3                  |                  |                  | 22                       |
| Hairy Woodpecker                          |                  | 1                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Northern Flicker                          |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                          |
| "Red-shafted" race                        | 21               | 15                 | 6                | 4                  | 9                | 2                | 8                  | 2                | 4                | 71                       |
| Western Wood-Pewee                        |                  | 1                  | 1                | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 3                        |
| Willow Flycatcher                         |                  | 1                  | 1                |                    |                  | 1                |                    |                  |                  | 3                        |
| Least Flycatcher                          |                  | 4                  |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 4                        |
| Hammond's Flycatcher                      | 1                |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Western Kingbird                          |                  | 7                  | 5                | 6                  |                  | 13               | 8                  | 14               |                  | 53                       |
| Eastern Kingbird                          |                  | 2                  |                  | 4                  |                  | 3                | 2                  | 1                |                  | 12                       |
| Scissor-tailed Flycatcher                 |                  |                    |                  | 1                  |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 1                        |
| Horned Lark                               |                  | 3                  | 2                |                    | 2                | 6                |                    | 19               | 1                | 33                       |
| Tree Swallow                              | 85               | 4500               | 2                |                    |                  |                  | 4                  | 2                | 40               | 4633                     |
| Violet-green Swallow                      | 96               | 5000               | 350              |                    | 1                | 2                |                    |                  | 18               | 5467                     |
| No. Rough-winged Swallow                  |                  | 25                 | 5                | 100                |                  | 27               | 20                 |                  |                  | 177                      |
| Bank Swallow                              |                  | 3                  |                  | 5                  |                  | 40               | 3                  | 8                | 12               | 71                       |
| Cliff Swallow                             | 12               | 250                |                  | 3500               | 30N              | 250              | 5                  | 347              | 10               | 4404                     |
| Barn Swallow                              | 106              | 300                | 2                | 200                |                  | 150              | 42                 | 111              | 46               | 957                      |
| Steller's Jay                             |                  |                    |                  |                    | 2                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 2                        |
| Blue Jay                                  | 2                |                    |                  |                    |                  | 3                |                    | 1                | 1                | 7                        |
| Scrub Jay                                 |                  |                    | 2                |                    | 4                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 6                        |

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| LIFE ZONES VISITED      | PL    | FH | PLNS | PLN | FM | FH | PLN   | PLNS | PLN     | FHL | PLN | MT | PF |
| Blue Jay                | 1     |    | 6    |     |    |    | 1     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Scrub Jay               |       | 5  |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Clark's Nutcracker      |       |    |      |     | 1  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Black-billed Magpie     | 5     |    | 13   | 15  | 7  | 11 | 11    | 17   | 2       |     | 9   | 3  | 25 |
| American Crow           |       |    |      | 1   | 4  |    | 4     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Chihuahuan Raven        |       |    |      |     |    |    | 1     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Common Raven            | 1     |    |      |     | 1  | 1  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 8  |
| Black-capped Chickadee  |       |    | 6    | 4   | 2  | 4  |       | 1    |         | 4   | 2   |    | 14 |
| Mountain Chickadee      |       |    |      |     | 3  | 7  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch |       |    |      |     |    | 2  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Pygmy Nuthatch          |       |    |      |     |    | 2  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 2  |
| Rock Wren               |       |    |      |     |    | 3  |       |      |         |     |     | 3  |    |
| Canyon Wren             |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     | 2  |    |
| Bewick's Wren           |       |    |      |     |    |    | 1     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| House Wren              | 7     | 3  | 45   | 6   | 7  |    | 7     | 8    | 2       |     | 10  | 1  | 2  |
| American Dipper         |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     | 1  |    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet    |       |    |      |     | 16 |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Mountain Bluebird       |       |    |      |     | 4  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    | 2  |
| Townsend's Solitaire    |       |    |      |     |    | 6  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Swainson's Thrush       |       |    |      |     | 1  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| American Robin          | 9     |    | 50   | 8   | 19 | 18 | 55    | 6    | 10      | 10  | 11  | 12 | 20 |
| Gray Catbird            |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     | 1   |    |    |
| Northern Mockingbird    |       |    |      |     |    |    | 7     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Brown Thrasher          |       |    | 20   |     |    |    | 4     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Curve-billed Thrasher   |       |    |      |     |    |    | 1     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Cedar Waxwing           |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         | 2   |     |    |    |
| Loggerhead Shrike       |       |    |      |     |    |    | 1     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| European Starling       | 9     |    | 75   | 60  | 14 | 10 | 145   | 35   | 40      | 40  | 14  |    | 30 |
| Bell's Vireo            |       |    | 3    |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Solitary Vireo          |       |    |      | 1   |    | 4  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 1  |
| Warbling Vireo          | 2     |    | 4    | 1   | 8  | 5  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Orange-crowned Warbler  |       |    |      |     | 1  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Virginia's Warbler      |       |    |      |     |    | 4  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 1  |
| Yellow Warbler          | 14    |    | 35   | 4   | 4  | 4  | 2     | 2    | 5       | 25  | 4   | 4  | 6  |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| "Audubon's" race        | 3     |    |      |     | 5  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| American Redstart       |       |    |      | 2   |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| MacGillivray's Warbler  |       |    |      |     |    | 1  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Common Yellowthroat     |       |    | 15   | 1   |    |    | 4     |      | 6       |     | 12  | 1  | 1  |
| Wilson's Warbler        |       |    |      |     | 6  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Yellow-breasted Chat    |       |    | 4    | 2   |    | 4  | 4     |      |         |     | 1H  |    |    |
| Western Tanager         | 3     |    |      |     | 1m | 12 |       |      |         | 2   |     | 3  | 4  |
| Black-headed Grosbeak   |       | 2  | 5ma  | 1   | 5  | 4  |       |      |         |     | 2   |    |    |
| Blue Grosbeak           |       |    |      |     |    |    | 4     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Lazuli Bunting          |       |    |      |     |    | 17 |       |      |         |     |     | 4  |    |
| Indigo Bunting          |       | 1  |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Dickcissel              |       |    | 4ma  |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Green-tailed Towhee     |       |    |      |     | 2  | 4  |       |      |         |     |     | 3  |    |
| Rufous-sided Towhee     |       | 10 |      |     |    | 28 |       |      |         | 2   |     |    | 2  |
| "Spotted" races         |       |    | 4ma  |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     | 15 |    |
| Cassin's Sparrow        |       |    | 1    |     |    |    | 2     |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Chipping Sparrow        |       |    |      |     |    | 3  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Vesper Sparrow          |       |    |      |     |    | 1  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 2  |

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| Lark Sparrow            |       |    | 9    | 1   |    | 3  | 5     |      |         |     |     | 2  |    |
| Lark Bunting            |       |    | 5    |     |    |    | 44    |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Grasshopper Sparrow     |       |    | 1    |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Fox Sparrow             |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| "Slate-colored" race    |       |    |      |     | 2  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Song Sparrow            | 2     |    |      | 2   | 1  | 3  |       |      | 1       |     | 3   | 1  | 5  |
| Lincoln's Sparrow       |       |    |      |     | 3  |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Dark-eyed Junco         |       |    |      |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| "Gray-headed" race      |       |    |      |     | 5  | 2  |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Bobolink                |       |    | 1ma  |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Red-winged Blackbird    | 25    |    | 300  | 25  | 12 | 1  | 195   | 34   | 250     | 10  | 55  | 3  | 25 |
| Western Meadowlark      | 10    |    | 180  | 14  |    | 4  | 235   | 5    | 20      |     | 10  |    | 7  |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird | 15    |    | 4ma  |     |    |    |       | 21   | 10      |     | 11  |    |    |
| Brewer's Blackbird      |       |    | 2    |     | 2  | 6  | 8     |      |         | 10  |     |    | 1  |
| Common Grackle          | 15    |    | 120  | 11  |    | 2  | 295   | 57   | 50      | 20  | 15  | 5  | 23 |
| Brown-headed Cowbird    |       |    | 50   | 4   | 8  | 14 | 7     | 3    | 10      | 10  | 3   | 12 | 1  |
| Orchard Oriole          |       |    | 18   |     |    |    | 3ma   |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| Northern Oriole         |       |    | 10   |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| "Baltimore" race        |       |    | 2ma  |     |    |    |       |      |         |     |     |    |    |
| "Bullock's" race        | 3     |    | 3ma  | 8   |    | 8  | 11    | 23   |         | 2   | 10N | 1  | 12 |
| House Finch             | 5     |    | 30   | 1   |    | 5  | 25    |      |         | 5   | 5   |    | 16 |
| Pine Siskin             |       |    |      |     | 2  | 1  |       |      |         |     |     |    | 4  |
| Lesser Goldfinch        |       | 2  |      |     |    | 15 |       |      |         | 12  | 1   |    |    |
| American Goldfinch      | 6     | 2  |      | 12  | 16 |    | 2     | 3    |         | 3   | 7   | 1  | 4  |
| House Sparrow           |       | 7  | 70   |     |    | 5  | 145   | 7    | 6       | 6   | 1   |    |    |
| TOTAL SPECIES-171       | 46    |    | 84   | 52  | 45 | 52 | 82    | 47   |         | 52  | 49  | 33 | 57 |

ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i; Heard Only=H; Nesting Observed=N; Plains=PLNS,PLN, PL,P; Foothills=FHL,FH,F; Mountains=MT,M.

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Clark's Grebe 6-19 (1) Mountain Home Reservoir near Ft. Garland, Costilla  
Co. (BA).

American White Pelican 6-9 (200) Prewitt Reservoir, Washington Co. (BA).

Great Egret 6-3 (1) flying over a banding station at Barr Lake S.P., Adams  
Co. (SS); 6-9 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (BA).

Ring-necked Duck 6-25 (2 pair) Lake Avery SWA near Buford, Rio Blanco Co.  
(BA).

Bufflehead 6-27 (1 male) Arapaho NWR, Jackson Co. (BA).

Hooded Merganser 6-21 (1 female) Hale Ponds, South Republican SWA, Yuma Co.  
(BR); written details submitted (BR).

Peregrine Falcon 6-22 (1) Lower Piedra Campground near Chimney Rock, Arch-  
uleta Co. (BA).

Snowy Plover 6-28 (2 adults) Nee Noshe Reservoir, Kiowa Co. (MC, JR).

Piping Plover 6-28 (2 adults, 3 downy young-approximately one week old) Nee  
Noshe Reservoir, Kiowa Co. (MC, JR). This is the first known breeding re-  
cord in Colorado for this endangered species in forty years! Photographs  
obtained on 6-30 and a fourth downy chick discovered. The last known  
breeding record occurred at Prewitt Reservoir in Washington County when  
Robert E. Lamb and Richard Halberg found a nest with three eggs on June 26,  
1949.

Franklin's Gull 6-9 (50) Lower Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (BA); 6-27 (10)  
Walden Reservoir, County? (BA).

Least Tern 6-28 (at least 8 adults) Adobe Creek Reservoir (Blue Lake),  
Bent County (MC, JR). Nesting was indicated but no nests or young birds  
were found. One pair was extremely territorial continually driving off  
California Gulls; two birds were observed carry food to a large island in  
the middle of the reservoir; one adult assumed the brooding position in  
the sand but no eggs were found.

Flammulated Owl 6-15 (1 heard only) Golden Gate Canyon S.P., Jefferson Co.  
(AH, JH, JR).

Black Swift 6-20 (2 adults) Hanging Lake, Glenwood Canyon, Garfield Co. (AH,  
JH, JR).

Chimney Swift 6-7 (3) flying back and forth over street lights at 8th Avenue  
and Colorado Blvd, Denver, Denver Co. (TJ).

Eastern Wood-Pewee 6-24 (1 singing adult) downstream along the South Platte  
River from "Kingfisher Bridge", Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (JK, SS).

Great Crested Flycatcher 6-7 (1) Muir Springs Park, Morgan Co. (BA).

Clark's Nutcracker 6-25 (1) Meeker town park, el. 6200', Rio Blanco Co. (BA)

Gray Catbird 6-15 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (SS).

Bell's Vireo 6-15 (5) Beecher Island NW Atlas Block, Yuma Co. (PH).

Golden-winged Warbler 6-8 (1 male) downstream along the South Platte River  
from "Kingfisher Bridge", Chatfield SRA (JK).

Ovenbird 6-19 (2 singing) Rye Mountain Park, Pueblo Co. (BA).

Indigo Bunting 6-22 (1 male) Lower Piedra Campground near Chimney Rock,  
Archuleta Co. (BA).

Dickcissel 6-14 (1) Beecher Island NW Atlas Block, Yuma Co. (PH).

Rufous-sided Towhee 6-22 ("at least several") singing in shrubbery about  
3/4 of a mile east of U.S. Hwy. 385 along Black Wolf Creek, Yuma Co. (BR).

Grasshopper Sparrow 6-24 (5 seen and heard, possibly nesting) Chatfield SRA  
(JK, SS).

Bobolink 6-26 (3 males) about 5 miles east of Meeker, Rio Blanco Co. (BA)

Common Grackle 6-23 (1 female feeding fledgling) Ridgway town park, Ouray  
Co. (BA); 6-27 (1 male) Walden, Jackson Co. (BA).

Scott's Oriole 6-25 (1 male)- state line juniper grove, Mesa Co. (BA).

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REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

JUNE 6, MORRISON PARK, JEFFERSON COUNTY OPEN SPACE LAIR-O-THE-BEAR PARK AND CORWINA PARK. Leaders: Ann Bonnell and Ray Sperger. Observers: 41.

Great Blue Heron 2, Mallard 2, Swainson's Hawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 4, American Kestrel 1, Spotted Sandpiper 5, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 7, Belted Kingfisher 3, Downy Woodpecker 2, Northern Flicker "Red-Shafted" 2, Western Wood-Pewee 2, Western Flycatcher 2, Violet-green Swallow 8, No. Rough-winged Swallow 2, Barn Swallow 2, Steller's Jay 1, Black-billed Magpie 9, American Crow 2, Black-capped Chickadee 2, House Wren 1, American Robin 12, European Starling 13, Warbling Vireo 2, Yellow Warbler 17, Western Tanager 2, Black-headed Grosbeak 6, Lazuli Bunting 8, Green-tailed Towhee 1, Rufous-sided Towhee 20, Song Sparrow 3, Red-winged Blackbird 5, Common Grackle 4, Brown-headed Cowbird 3, Northern Oriole "Bullock's" 11, Lesser Goldfinch 5, American Goldfinch 2. (36 species, 174 individuals.)

JUNE 13. CENTRAL CITY/PECK'S GULCH. Leaders: Ann Bonnell and Esther Campbell. Observers: 29.

Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Swainson's Hawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 3, Rock Dove 1, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 10, Western Flycatcher 1, Tree Swallow 6, Violet-Green Swallow 2, Barn Swallow 4, Steller's Jay 3, American Crow 1, Mountain Chickadee 8, Ruby-crowned Kinglet 1, Mountain Bluebird 3, Townsend's Solitaire 2, Hermit Thrush 1, American Robin 2, Warbling Vireo 5, Yellow-rumped Warbler 4, Chipping Sparrow 1, Dark-eyed Junco "Gray headed" 1, Pine Siskin 5, House Sparrow 1. (23 species, 69 individuals.)

JUNE 20. LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN/STAPLETON TRAIL. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 36.

Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Red-tailed Hawk 1 adult feeding 3 babies in nest, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 15, Williamson's Sapsucker 2, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 1, Olive-sided Flycatcher 2, Western Wood-Pewee 3, Western Flycatcher 11, Eastern Kingbird 1, Tree Swallow 3, Barn Swallow 1, Steller's Jay 1, Black-billed Magpie 8, American Crow 1, Mountain Chickadee 8, White-breasted Nuthatch 1, Ruby-crowned Kinglet 4, Mountain Bluebird 1, Hermit Thrush 1, American Robin 15, Warbling Vireo 3, Yellow-rumped Warbler 1, Western Tanager 9, Green-tailed Towhee 3, Chipping Sparrow 10, Dark-eyed Junco "Gray-headed" 8, Western Meadowlark 3, Brewer's Blackbird 1, Common Grackle 4, Brown-headed Cowbird 17, House Finch 6, Pine Siskin 10, American Goldfinch 3, Evening Grosbeak 5, House Sparrow 4. (35 species, 171 individuals.)

JUNE 27. SEDALIA (DR. DUNKIN'S RANCH), JARR CANYON TO INDIAN CREEK CAMP-GROUND. Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 30.

Red-tailed Hawk 4 (adult on nest), American Kestrel 4, Ring-billed Gull 2, Mourning Dove 10, Broad-tld. Hummingbird 7, Hairy Woodpecker 2, Northern Flicker "Red-shafted" 3, Western Wood-Pewee 1, Western Flycatcher 3, Western Kingbird 2 (adult on nest), Eastern Kingbird 1, Scrub Jay 4, Black-billed Magpie 19, American Crow 2, Mountain Chickadee 4, White-



Tuesday Birders - cont.

breasted Nuthatch 2, House Wren 6, Mountain Bluebird 3, Townsend's Solitaire 1, Hermit Thrush 1, American Robin 11, European Starling 50, Warbling Vireo 4, Red-eyed Vireo 1, Yellow Warbler 4, Ovenbird 2, Rufous-sided Towhee 2, Chipping Sparrow 1, Song Sparrow 3, Red-winged Blackbird 2, Western Meadowlark 2, Common Grackle 7, Northern Oriole "Baltimore" 1/ "Bullock's" 4, House Finch 4. (35 species, 179 individuals.)

Monna Krebs (compiler)

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 1989

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TRANSPORTATION COSTS ON FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on Denver Field Ornithologists' scheduled field trips with those who drive. Suggested cost is 10¢ per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

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CARPOOLING URGED ON FIELD TRIPS

All Denver Field Ornithologists are urged to carpool wherever possible when going on field trips to help to conserve energy. If you contemplate going on any of the scheduled field trips listed below, please contact the leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling. Otherwise, make every attempt to carpool at the meeting site.

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SUGGESTIONS TO LEADERS

Take the initiative in arranging for carpooling. Be sure the drivers know the route to be taken so no one gets lost. Arrange for a rest stop by noon. Make an attempt to see that all members of the group see the birds observed. Obtain some copies of the "Denver Field Ornithologists-Membership Information" handout sheet to give to prospective new members participating in your field trip. Call Alan Hay (422-0239) to obtain copies.

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PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.  
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- AUGUST 5, Saturday. BAILEY, GUANELLA PASS & GEORGETOWN. Leader: Robert Spencer (279-4682). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at Bear Valley Shopping Center, southwest section west of Burlington Coat Factory, South Sheridan Blvd. and Hampden (US 285) or 7:30 A.M. at Inn, Conifer \*
- 6, Sunday. CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the west entrance to the SRA (east of Cherry Creek High School, 9300 East Union). ½-day trip.
- 12, Saturday. EVERGREEN AREA & BEYOND. Leader: Bill Brockner (674-4851). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Bergen Park. Carpool at 6:45 A.M. at 32nd & Youngfield on northeast corner east of Fred Schmid's. \*
- 13, Sunday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leader: Walt Bull (751-1032). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History at the east end of the north parking lot. \*
- 19, Saturday. PHANTOM CANYON. Leader: Jean Maguire (758-8606). Carpool at the Denver Museum of Natural History at the east end of the north parking lot at 6:30 A.M. You must call the leader! Number limited to 15. \*

- AUGUST 20, Sunday. BEAR CREEK LAKE, KITTREDGE TO INDIAN HILLS & MT. FALCON. Leader: Cal Wichern (693-3718). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Bear Valley Shopping Center, southwest section west of Burlington Coat Factory at South Sheridan Blvd. and Hampden (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*
- 26, Saturday. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Carpool at the Denver Museum of Natural History at 7:00 A.M. at the east end of the north parking lot. You must call the Leader as the number is limited to nine. \*
- 27, Sunday. SEDALIA, PLUM CREEK & CASTLEWOOD CANYON S.P. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet in the parking lot south of Albertson's, northwest corner of South Broadway and County Line Road. \*
- 30, Wednesday. PREWITT RESERVOIR SWA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet at 6:00 A.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History at the east end of the north parking lot. Call the Leader if you plan to go. \*

\*BRING LUNCH

Submitted by: Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)  
Field Trip Coordinators

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NOTICE! A Labor Day weekend trip to Baca County is under consideration.

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TUESDAY BIRDERS: You are welcomed to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

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THE DFO (nee the COLORADO BIRD CLUB) 35 YEARS AGO:

Three "Breeding Bird Population Studies" were conducted during the summer by Don Thatcher assisted by Lang Baily, Phyllis Caswell, John Chapin, John and Margaret Douglass, John Flavin, Sadie Morrison, Bess Phelan, George Scipli, Joseph Taylor and Hazel & Donna Thatcher. The areas covered for this study were Lodgepole Pine Forest, Douglas Fir Forest & Ponderosa Pine Forest. This was the fourth year in a row that these studies were conducted and the results were published in "Colorado Bird Notes", Vol. 2, No. 1, pages 2 & 3.

Howard Rollin reported in "WELDONA NOTES" for August 22, 1954: "An unusual feature of the summer was thousands of Franklin's Gulls resting or feeding in the fields. We often see thousands flying about, but not at rest on the ground. They were first noted July 18 (1954) and since that date have been more or less common; they were first noted on the ground on August 2". He also mentions: "A pair of Burrowing Owls nested near here, the first one in 10 or 12 years. Barn Owls raised 6 or 8 young in the canyons; one that had fallen from the nest had an extra toe on each foot, next to the hind toe".

Officers and Directors for 1954-1955 were as follows: President-John Flavin, Vice-President-John Douglass, Recording Secretary-Mrs. T. L. DeMent, Corresponding Secretary-Catherine Hurlbutt, Treasurer-Leonard Licht, Directors (2 years)-James Humphrey & Ben Pfretzschnier.

July 1954 field trips were scheduled for the 10th to the Franktown-Castle Rock area-John Flavin, leader (PL5-1744)- transportation, 50¢; on the 18th to Devil's Head & Rampart Range Road-John Chapin, leader (PL5-0862); on the 24th to Echo & Summit Lakes-Robert Glover, leader (PE3-8757)-transportation, 75¢. On August 8th a field trip was scheduled to Barr Lake & vicinity-John Chapin, leader-transportation, 50¢. And last but not least, the first September 1954 field trip was scheduled for the 12th to Loveland Pass-Ruth Wheeler (GL5-3924) & Sadie Morrison (MA3-0840), leaders. Bring lunch, warm clothing. Transportation, 75¢.

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LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT  
ANNUAL SPRING COUNT - 1989

Kathy Hawkins, compiler

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SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1989

Lower Bear Creek (LBC). Leader: Robert Spencer. Observers: Bobby Ausfahl, Ruth Breckon, Ed Holub, Lucy Pace, Don & Jo Shrode, Mary Jane Schock, Amy Young. (Cloudy; cool). 15 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 8 hours birding. (64 species, 1842 individuals).

Chatfield State Recreation Area (CSRA). Leader: Jan Justice. Observers: Barbara & Jim Fay, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Hugh Kingery, Jack Reddall, Tim Schowalter, Steve Stachowiak. (Overcast, rain and fog becoming partly cloudy; Wind, NE 5-15 MPH; 43°-55°). 19 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 11.5 hours birding. (103 species, 11916 individuals).

Waterton (WTR). Leader: Hugh Kingery. Observers: Marilyn Clark, Scott Fitzmorris, Ty Fitzmorris, Kathy Hirst, Aileen Lotz (Miami, FL), Deb Ostergard, Cheryl Scott, Mort Staatz, Steve Stachowiak, Allaire Wallace, Scott Yarberry. (Weather conditions not submitted). 10 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (85 species, 965 individuals).

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 1989

Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CCRA). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observer: Mort Staatz. (Partly cloudy becoming cloudy to overcast, rain, hail, thunderstorms; Wind, E 5-10 MPH; 41°-47°). 34 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 9.5 hours birding. (74 species, 4668 individuals).

Castlewood Canyon State Park (CWC). Leader: Randy Lentz. Observers: None. (Light rain showers in A.M., steady rain in P.M; Wind, S 0-10 MPH; 40°-50°). 3 miles by car, 7 miles on foot. 7 hours birding. (52 species, 370 individuals).

Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA). Leader: Urling Kingery. Observers: Kathy Hirst, Kathy Kelley, Hugh Kingery, Pat McClearn, Kim Rinehart, Nancy & Walter Zavitz. (Cloudy, rainy). 20 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 9.5 hours birding. (85 species, 1337 individuals).

Barr Lake State Park (BARR). Leader: Dick Schottler. Observers: Bob Righter, Robert Spencer. (Overcast in A.M., rain & sleet in P.M; Wind, 0-15 MPH; 40°-50°). Zero miles by car, 10 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (77 species, 1927 individuals).

Barr Lake Periphery (BLP). Leader: Walt Bull. Observers: Ruth Bull, Patty Echelmeyer, Diana & Don Mullineaux, Tim Schowalter. (Partly cloudy, fog, light to heavy rain; Wind, 0-20 MPH; 42°-46°). 71 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 8.5 hours birding. (86 species, 2847 individuals).

Bear Creek Lake Park (BCP). Leader: Bill Brockner. Observers: None. (Fog, mist, rain). 5 hours birding. (40 species, 453 individuals).

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GRAND TOTALS: Species-171, Individuals-26325

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| MAY                         | 13  | 13   | 13  | 14   | 14  | 14  | 14   | 14  | 14  | SPRNG |
|-----------------------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| AREA COVERED                | LBC | CSRA | WTR | CCRA | CWC | RMA | BARR | BLP | BCP | COUNT |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED          | PLN | PLNS | PLN | PLNS | FHL | PLN | PLNS | PLN | PLN | TOTAL |
| Black-billed Magpie         | 61  | 25   | 7   | 45   | 3   | 20  | 21   | 27  | 16  | 225   |
| American Crow               | 7   | 2    | 4   |      | 3   |     |      |     |     | 16    |
| Common Raven                |     | 2    |     |      | 1   |     |      |     |     | 3     |
| Black-capped Chickadee      |     | 12   | 6   | 8    | 6   | 3   | 11   | 3   |     | 49    |
| Mountain Chickadee          | 11  |      |     |      | 5   |     |      |     |     | 16    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch     |     |      |     |      | 5   |     |      |     |     | 5     |
| Rock Wren                   |     | 1    | 1   |      | 7   |     |      |     |     | 9     |
| Canyon Wren                 |     |      |     |      | 5   |     |      |     |     | 5     |
| House Wren                  | 2   | 85   | 18  | 15   | 24  | 14  | 25   | 4   | ?   | 187   |
| American Dipper             |     |      |     |      | 3   |     |      |     |     | 3     |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet        |     | 1    |     |      |     |     |      |     |     | 1     |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher       |     |      | 7N  |      |     |     |      |     |     | 7     |
| Mountain Bluebird           |     |      |     |      | 13  |     |      |     |     | 13    |
| Townsend's Solitaire        |     |      |     |      | 2   |     |      |     |     | 2     |
| Swainson's Thrush           |     |      |     | 3    | 1   | 3   | 8    |     |     | 15    |
| Hermit Thrush               | 1   |      |     |      | 1   |     |      |     |     | 2     |
| American Robin              | 130 | 60   | 6   | 20   | 40  | 12  | 56   | 7   | 16  | 347   |
| Northern Mockingbird        |     |      |     |      |     |     | 1    | 1   |     | 2     |
| Brown Thrasher              |     | 2    |     |      |     |     |      | 1   |     | 3     |
| Water Pipit                 |     | 10   |     |      |     |     |      |     |     | 10    |
| Loggerhead Shrike           |     |      | 1   |      | 1   | 1   |      |     |     | 3     |
| European Starling           | 121 | 120  | 12  | 40   | 6   | 22  | 150  | 36  | 12  | 519   |
| Solitary Vireo              |     | 3    |     |      | 4   | 1   |      |     |     | 8     |
| Warbling Vireo              |     |      | 4   |      |     | 3   |      |     |     | 7     |
| Red-eyed Vireo              |     |      | 2   |      |     |     |      |     |     | 2     |
| Orange-crowned Warbler      |     | 1    | 1   |      |     |     |      |     |     | 2     |
| Virginia's Warbler          |     | 2    | 8   |      | 1   | 1   |      |     |     | 12    |
| Yellow Warbler              | 23  | 30   | 32  | 10   | 2   | 15  | 9    | 3   | ?   | 124   |
| Black-throated Blue Warbler |     |      |     |      |     | 1   |      |     |     | 1     |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler       |     |      |     |      |     |     |      |     |     |       |
| "Myrtle" race               | 14  | 15   | 1   |      |     | 1   | 1    |     | 8   | 40    |
| "Audubon's" race            | 65  | 150  | 38  | 4    | 8   | 11  | 7    |     | 30  | 313   |
| American Redstart           | 1   |      | 1   |      |     |     |      |     |     | 2     |
| Ovenbird                    |     |      |     |      |     |     | 1    |     |     | 1     |
| Northern Waterthrush        | 1   | 1    |     |      |     |     |      | 1   |     | 3     |
| MacGillivray's Warbler      | 2   |      | 1   |      |     | 1   | 1    |     |     | 5     |
| Common Yellowthroat         | 5   | 3ma  | 2   | 15   |     | 7   |      | 4   |     | 36    |
| Wilson's Warbler            | 1   |      |     |      |     |     |      |     |     | 1     |
| Yellow-breasted Chat        | 3   | 9    | 9   | 1    |     |     |      |     |     | 22    |
| Western Tanager             | 5   | 31   | 27  |      |     |     |      |     | 2   | 65    |
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak      |     | 1ma  |     |      |     |     |      |     |     | 1     |
| Black-headed Grosbeak       |     | 13   | 22  | 3    | 2   | 1   |      |     |     | 41    |
| Blue Grosbeak               |     | 1ma  |     |      |     |     |      |     |     | 1     |
| Lazuli Bunting              |     | 1ma  | 20  |      |     |     |      |     |     | 21    |
| Green-tailed Towhee         |     |      |     |      | 1   |     |      |     |     | 1     |
| Rufous-sided Towhee         | 1   | 14   | 19  |      | 38  | 2   |      |     |     | 74    |
| Chipping Sparrow            | 2   | 4    | 10  | 2    | 17  |     | 5    | 1   | 1   | 42    |
| Vesper Sparrow              |     | 5    | 6   | 1    | 7   |     |      |     | 13  | 32    |
| Lark Sparrow                |     | 1    |     | 1    |     | 1   |      | 5   |     | 8     |
| Lark Bunting                |     |      |     | 2ma  |     | 65  | 5    | 2   |     | 74    |
| Grasshopper Sparrow         |     |      |     |      |     | 1   |      |     |     | 1     |
| Song Sparrow                | 10  | 10   | 7   | 8    | 5   |     | 3    | 8   |     | 51    |
| Lincoln's Sparrow           |     | 1    | 3   |      |     | 2   |      |     |     | 6     |

| MAY<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 13<br>LBC<br>PLN | 13<br>CSRA<br>PLNS | 13<br>WTR<br>PLN | 14<br>CCRA<br>PLNS | 14<br>CWC<br>FHL | 14<br>RMA<br>PLN | 14<br>BARR<br>PLNS | 14<br>BLP<br>PLN | 14<br>BCP<br>PLN | SPRNG<br>COUNT<br>TOTAL |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| White-crowned Sparrow                     | 4                | 7                  | 7                | 2                  |                  | 2                | 1                  |                  |                  | 23                      |
| Dark-eyed Junco<br>"Gray-headed" race     |                  |                    |                  |                    | 3                |                  |                    |                  |                  | 3                       |
| Red-winged Blackbird                      | 227              | 130                | 12               | 70                 | 16               | 21               | 270                | 299              | 20               | 1065                    |
| Western Meadowlark                        | 15               | 65                 | 12               | 40                 | 19               | 41               | 19                 | 23               | 44               | 278                     |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird                   | 6                |                    | 1                | 25                 |                  | 3                | 146                | 483              |                  | 664                     |
| Brewer's Blackbird                        | 6                | 16                 | 3                | 4                  |                  |                  |                    | 3                | 3                | 35                      |
| Great-tailed Grackle                      |                  |                    |                  |                    |                  |                  |                    | 2                |                  | 2                       |
| Common Grackle                            | 104              | 75                 | 4                | 15                 |                  | 32               | 175                | 57               | 4                | 466                     |
| Brown-headed Cowbird                      | 12               | 30                 | 18               | 10                 | 10               | 10               | 8                  | 4                | 4                | 106                     |
| Northern Oriole<br>"Bullock's" race       | 18               | 17                 | 1                | 9                  |                  | 8                | 18                 | 4                | ?                | 75                      |
| House Finch                               | 107              | 2                  | 6                | 6                  |                  | 1                |                    | 1                |                  | 123                     |
| Lesser Goldfinch                          |                  |                    | 2                |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 2                       |
| American Goldfinch                        | 39               | 12                 | 26               | 8                  | 3                | 6                | 5                  |                  |                  | 99                      |
| Evening Grosbeak                          | 9                |                    | 12               |                    |                  |                  |                    |                  |                  | 21                      |
| House Sparrow                             | 131              | 3                  |                  |                    |                  | 5                | 17                 | 54               |                  | 210                     |
| TOTAL SPECIES-171                         | 65               | 103                | 85               | 74                 | 52               | 85               | 77                 | 86               | 40               | 26325                   |

ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES: Male=ma,m; Female=fe,f; Adult=ad,a; Immature=im,i; Nesting Observed=N; Plains=PLNS,PLN; Foothills=FHL.

1988 SPRING COUNT: 130 species, 10,536 individuals.  
 1987 SPRING COUNT: 129 species, 7,610 individuals.  
 1986 SPRING COUNT: 159 species, 10,519 individuals.  
 1985 SPRING COUNT: 145 species, 9,466 individuals.  
 1984 SPRING COUNT: 167 species, 8,861 individuals.  
 1983 SPRING COUNT: 183 species, 10,798 individuals.

Species normally expected but missed on the 1989 Spring Count:

Cooper's Hawk, Broad-winged Hawk, Prairie Falcon (!), Black-bellied Plover, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Western Sandpiper (!), Eastern Screech-Owl, Say's Phoebe (!), Red-breasted Nuthatch, Pygmy Nuthatch, Western Bluebird, Sage Thrasher, Brewer's Sparrow, Savannah Sparrow (!), Pine Siskin (!).



**DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS -- Membership Information**

**WELCOME to the D.F.O.**

**PURPOSE:** *The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.*

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** *The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December), 7:30 p.m. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on Rare Bird Alert 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.*

**FIELD TRIPS:** *These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.*

**BULLETIN:** *A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.*

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## THE LARK BUNTING

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Jack Reddall, Editor

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FOR DECEMBER, AT 7:30 PM, DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM

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### JULY 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES (Phil Hayes, compiler):

JULY 1, Saturday. Plains Conservation Center (PCC). Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Virginia Bleck, Nancy Decio, Phil Hayes, Betty & Harold Oliver, Anne Southcott, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, NW 0-5 MPH; 85F). 10 miles by car, .5 mile on foot. 3.5 hours birding. (29 species, 169 individuals).  
JULY 1&2, Saturday & Sunday. Middle Park, North Park, Arapaho National Wildlife Refuge, and Colorado State Forest (NOP). Leader: Bob Spencer. Observers: Ruth Breckon, David Christian, Marilyn Clark, Jean & Jim Fredlund, Glenn &

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- Jeane Hageman, Hazel Kellogg, David & Sherrill Pantle, Don & Jo Shrode, Shirley Spencer, Helen Tripp, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (Mostly clear, windy, warm on Saturday; clear, calm, warm on Sunday). 170 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 17.5 hours birding. (83 species, 1352 individuals).
- JULY 5, Wednesday. Golden Gate Canyon and State Park (GGC). Leader: Alan Hay. Observers: Glenn and Jeane Hageman, Dee Hay, Joe Himmel, Hazel Kellogg, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Anne Southcott, Ruth Wheeler. (Sunny; 60-85F). 55 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (53 species, 339 individuals).
- JULY 8, Saturday. Jefferson, Georgia Pass, and Hack Ranch (HR). Leader: Carol Hack. Observers: Virginia Bleck, George Collings, Hilda & Kathy Eichenberger, Warren Finch, Alan & Dee Hay, Kathy Holt, Hazel Kellogg, Jack Reddall, Anne Southcott, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams, Amy Young. (44-82F). 25 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 7 hours birding. (46 species, 387 individuals).
- JULY 9, Sunday. Barr Lake State Park (BAR). Leaders: Lee & Marilyn Rowe. Observers: Terry Flageolle, Donna Sole. (Sunny; Wind, S 0-5 MPH; 65-90F). 0 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 3.5 hours birding. (44 species, 786 individuals).
- JULY 12, Wednesday. "Century Run": Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Castlewood Canyon SP, Waterton, Chatfield SRA, Genesee Mountain Park, Lower Latham Reservoir, Prospect Reservoir, and Barr Lake SP (NCC). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observers: Joe Himmel, Joey Kellner, Joe Roller. (Overcast, moderate rain, becoming mostly cloudy). 285 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 15 hours birding. (137 species, 5529 individuals).
- JULY 15, Saturday. Rocky Mountain National Park (RMP). Leader: Phil Hayes. Observers: Ruth Breckon, Debbie Caudill, Marilyn Clark, Nancy Decio, Mary Dexter, Warren Finch, Michael Greenwell, Theresa Gregory, Dave & Martha Gulbenkian, Kathy Holt, Ed Holub, Pearl Jordan, Twyla Jorgensen, Hazel Kellogg, Fern Maher, Alberta Nelson, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Jack Reddall, Don & Jo Shrode, Bob & Shirley Spencer, Joe TenBrink, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler, Helen Williams, Amy Young. (Clear to partly cloudy with brief afternoon shower; calm; 50-70F). 48 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (53 species, 224 individuals).
- JULY 16, Sunday. Reynolds Park and Pine Area (RP). Leader: Mel Gabel. Observers: Irma Applegren, Merlynn Brown, Dave Christian, Mort Staatz, Steve Weiss, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind 0-3 MPH; 50-85F). 32 miles by car, 2.5 miles on foot. 5.5 hours birding. (33 species, 132 individuals).
- JULY 22, Saturday. Filius Park, Echo Lake, and Summit Lake (ECH). Leader: Lynn Willcockson. Observers: Irma Applegren, Angela Bailey, Don Ferguson, Warren Finch, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Alan & Dee Hay, Hazel Kellogg, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Anne Southcott, Joe TenBrink, Ruth Wheeler, Elizabeth Willcockson. (Clear to mostly cloudy; Wind, light and variable; 60-75F). 67 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (47 species, 159 individuals).
- JULY 23, Sunday. Chatfield State Recreation Area (CH). Leader: Irv Jackson. Observers: Joe & Norma Kamby, Sandy Selzer, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, NE 0-10 MPH; 60-80F). 10 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (51 species, 589 individuals).
- JULY 26, Wednesday. Night owling at the Wheat Ridge Greenbelt. Leader: Dave Martin. Observers: About 40. Not a single bird seen or heard.
- JULY 29&30, Saturday & Sunday. Northeastern Colorado: Tamarack Ranch SWA, Red Lion



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SWA, Jumbo Reservoir SWA (NEC). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observers: Nancy Decio, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Phil Hayes, Randy Lentz, Wayne McPherson, Bob Spencer, Anne Southcott, Mort Staatz, Nick Waltmough. (Clear to partly cloudy; severe thunderstorms; Wind, NE-SW 5-25 MPH; 60-98F). 41 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 19 hours birding. (96 species, 3190 individuals).

JULY 30, Sunday. Burland Ranchettes (BR). Leader: Ruth Breckon. Observers: Gwen & Rochelle Calvert, Debbie Caudill, Mary Dexter, Alan & Dee Hay, Kathy Hirst, Irv Jackson, JoAnne Kyhl, Fern Maher, Ann Oberg, Don & Jo Shrode, Lee & Marilyn Rowe. (Overcast; Wind, calm; 50-55F). 9 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 4 hours birding. (34 species, 247 individuals.)

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#### JULY 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Thirteen scheduled field trips were conducted in July and 195 species of birds were counted. Each trip had its highlights (or lowlights).

The highlight of the PCC trip was the sighting of 15 Burrowing Owl, a species that has been in decline in the Denver area in recent years. The specialty of the trip, 6 Grasshopper Sparrow were also seen.

Participants on the NOP trip saw the only Osprey of the month. Those who camped along Michigan Creek north of Walden observed more than 50 Yellow Warbler.

The only Lewis' Woodpecker of the month was seen on the GGC trip.

Those who went on the HR trip saw 15 Common Snipe, the only Dusky Flycatcher of the month, 2 Fox Sparrow, and 4 Pine Grosbeak.

An immature Bald Eagle was observed on a branch at only 20 feet on the BAR trip. The trip also produced the only Great Egret of the month, 5 Long-billed Curlew, an American Redstart, and 48 Northern Oriole ("Bullock's").

The "Century Run" (NCC) came up with 137 species in a 15-hour day. The 4 participants saw at least 15 species seen on no other trip. Most notable among these were 2 Caspian Tern. The 40 Marbled Godwit seen were notable for July.

The highlight of the RMP trip was the close observation of 3 Northern Pygmy-Owl by all of the 30 trip participants. The only White-tailed Ptarmigan of the month was seen by those who trampled across the tundra.

The RP trip was distinguished by coming up with the most Virginia's Warbler (6) and the most Green-Tailed Towhee (7).

The ECH trip had the most Rufous Hummingbirds (6) and the only Evening Grosbeak seen on any trip. They also had a Fox Sparrow and 3 Rosy Finches ("Brown-capped").

The CH trip for the 2nd consecutive July came up with American Redstart. The observers on that trip, not surprisingly, came up with the most Great Blue Heron (63). Surprisingly for July, they also counted 17 Common Merganser.

The highlight of the night owling trip to the Wheat Ridge Greenbelt on the 26th was a lowlight. The 40 some participants neither saw nor heard a single bird.

The NEC trip was cut short early on the 2nd day by heavy rains. The observers, nevertheless, came up with at least 9 species seen on no other trip. Notable among these were the first Least Flycatcher seen on July DFO trips since 1985 and a singing Bell's Vireo. The only Northern Harrier of the month was seen by the trip leader

after the other participants left.

Probably the high point of the BR trip was the observation of 6 Band-tailed Pigeon. The trip also produced the only Swainson's Thrush of the month. And it produced the first Orange-crowned Warbler seen on a July DFO trip in years.

ABBREVIATIONS used in following table: P=Plains; F=Foot hills; M=Mountains; V=high Valleys; a=adult; i=immature; m=male; f=female; H=Heard only; N=Nesting observed.

| JULY 1989                 | 1   | 1&2 | 5     | 8  | 9    | 12  | 15   | 16  | 22  | 23  | 29&30 | 30 |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-------|----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|----|
| AREA COVERED              | PCC | NOP | GGC   | HR | BAR  | NCC | RMP  | RP  | ECH | CH  | NEC   | BR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED        | P   | MV  | F M   | MV | P    | PFM | M    | FM  | F M | P   | P     | M  |
| Pied-billed Grebe         |     | 5   |       |    |      | 4   |      |     |     |     | 1     |    |
| Eared Grebe               |     | 8   |       |    |      | 4   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Western Grebe             |     |     |       |    | 9    | 80  |      |     |     | 15  | 150   |    |
| Clark's Grebe             |     |     |       |    |      | 4   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| American White Pelican    |     |     |       |    | 38   | 170 |      |     |     |     | 300   |    |
| Double-crested Cormorant  |     | 1   |       |    | 12   | 220 |      |     |     | 133 | 40    |    |
| Great Blue Heron          |     | 5   |       |    | 18   | 11  |      |     |     | 63  | 25    |    |
| Great Egret               |     |     |       |    | 1    |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Snowy Egret               |     |     |       |    |      | 16  |      |     |     |     | 1     |    |
| Cattle Egret              |     |     |       |    |      | 8   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron |     | 3   |       |    |      | 14  |      |     |     |     | 6     |    |
| White-faced Ibis          |     | 1   |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     | 1     |    |
| Canada Goose              |     | 350 |       |    | 109  | 200 |      |     |     | 62  | 275   |    |
| Wood Duck                 |     |     |       |    |      | 5   |      |     |     | 1   | 4     |    |
| Green-winged Teal         |     | 1   |       | 1  |      | 60  |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Mallard                   |     | 37  | 1 21  |    | 8a6i | 150 | 5a1i | 1   |     | 3   | 100   | 1  |
| Northern Pintail          |     | 4   |       |    |      | 70  |      |     |     |     | 60    |    |
| Blue-winged Teal          |     | 6   |       |    | 4    | 30  |      |     |     |     | 15    |    |
| Cinnamon Teal             |     | 4   |       |    |      | 20  |      |     |     |     | 2     |    |
| Northern Shoveler         |     | 4   |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Gadwall                   |     | 32  |       | 1  | 11   | 10  |      |     |     | 10  | 2     |    |
| American Wigeon           |     | 6   |       |    |      | 2   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Redhead                   |     |     |       |    |      | 3   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Ring-necked Duck          |     | 12  |       |    |      |     | 1    |     |     |     |       |    |
| Lesser Scaup              |     | 24  |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Common Merganser          |     | 10  |       |    |      | 4   |      |     |     | 17  |       |    |
| Ruddy Duck                |     | 70  |       |    |      | 200 |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Turkey Vulture            | 1   | 1   | 2 2   |    |      | 30  |      | 1 1 |     |     |       |    |
| Osprey                    |     | 1   |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Bald Eagle                |     |     |       |    | 1i   | 1i  |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Northern Harrier          |     |     |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     | 1m    |    |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk        |     |     | 1     |    |      | 1   | 1    |     |     |     |       |    |
| Swainson's Hawk           | 1   | 3   |       |    | 4    | 15  |      |     |     | 1   | 4     |    |
| Red-tailed Hawk           |     |     |       |    |      |     |      |     |     | 1   |       |    |
| western races             |     | 1   | 3 1 1 |    |      | 6   |      |     | 2   |     | 2     |    |
| Ferruginous Hawk          | 1   |     |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Golden Eagle              |     | 5   |       | 1  |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| American Kestrel          | 1   | 1   |       | 3  | 1    | 10  | 1    |     |     | 4   | 6     |    |
| Prairie Falcon            |     | 1   |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Ring-necked Pheasant      |     |     |       |    |      | 5   |      |     |     |     | 2f    |    |
| White-tailed Ptarmigan    |     |     |       |    |      |     | 1m   |     |     |     |       |    |
| Northern Bobwhite         |     |     |       |    |      |     |      |     |     |     | 3H    |    |
| Virginia Rail             |     |     |       |    |      | 4   |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| Sora                      |     |     |       | 1  |      | 10  |      |     |     |     |       |    |
| American Coot             |     | 36  |       |    | 56   | 500 |      |     |     |     | 3     |    |

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| AREA COVERED             | PCC | NOP | GGC | HR | BAR | NCC | RMP  | RP | ECH | CH | NEC   | BR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED       | P   | MV  | F M | MV | P   | PFM | M    | FM | F M | P  | P     | M  |
| Killdeer                 | 2   | 9   | 1   |    | 14  | 40  |      |    |     | 22 | 45    |    |
| American Avocet          |     | 17  |     |    |     | 65  |      |    |     |    | 5     |    |
| Greater Yellowlegs       |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    | 5     |    |
| Lesser Yellowlegs        |     |     |     |    |     | 20  |      |    |     |    | 40    |    |
| Solitary Sandpiper       |     |     |     |    | 2   | 1   |      |    |     |    | 7     |    |
| Willet                   |     | 1   |     |    |     | 4   |      |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Spotted Sandpiper        |     | 6   |     | 2  | 1   | 3   | 2    |    | 4   | 20 | 6     |    |
| Upland Sandpiper         |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    | 8     |    |
| Long-billed Curlew       |     |     |     |    | 5   |     |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Marbled Godwit           |     |     |     |    |     | 40  |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper   |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| Western Sandpiper        |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     | 1  | 10    |    |
| Least Sandpiper          |     |     |     |    |     | 30  |      |    |     | 1  | 50    |    |
| Baird's Sandpiper        |     |     |     |    |     | 2   |      |    |     |    | 200   |    |
| Pectoral Sandpiper       |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| Stilt Sandpiper          |     |     |     |    |     | 15  |      |    |     |    | 60    |    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher    |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 75    |    |
| Common Snipe             |     | 6   |     | 15 | 2   | 2   | 1    |    |     |    |       |    |
| Wilson's Phalarope       |     | 19  |     |    |     | 8   |      |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Franklin's Gull          |     |     |     |    | 8   | 10  |      |    |     |    | 11    |    |
| Ring-billed Gull         |     |     |     |    | 140 | 15  |      |    |     | 61 | 150   |    |
| California Gull          |     | 15  |     |    |     | 50  | 1    |    |     | 1  |       |    |
| Caspian Tern             |     |     |     |    |     | 2   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Forster's Tern           |     | 9   |     |    |     | 3   |      |    |     |    | 15    |    |
| Black Tern               |     | 5   |     |    | 1   | 100 |      |    |     |    | 45    |    |
| Rock Dove                | 2   |     | 6   |    |     | 25  |      |    | 1   |    | 5     | 3  |
| Band-tailed Pigeon       |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    |       | 6  |
| Mourning Dove            | 7   | 8   | 5   |    | 32  | 125 |      |    |     | 13 | 150   | 4  |
| Eastern Screech-Owl      |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 1H    |    |
| Great Horned Owl         | 2   |     | 1   |    |     | 1a  |      |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Northern Pygmy Owl       |     |     |     |    |     |     | 1a2i |    |     |    |       |    |
| Burrowing Owl            | 15  |     |     |    |     | 1a  |      |    |     | 2  |       |    |
| Common Nighthawk         |     | 7   | 1   |    |     | 1   |      |    |     | 2  | 6     |    |
| White-throated Swift     |     |     |     |    |     | 3   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird |     | 13  | 3   | 1  | 8   | 8   | 6    | 6  | 3   | 5  | 1     | 11 |
| Rufous Hummingbird       |     |     |     |    |     |     |      | 1  | 6   |    |       | 1  |
| Belted Kingfisher        |     | 2   |     | 1  |     | 2   |      | 1  |     | 2  | 4     |    |
| Lewis' Woodpecker        |     |     | 1   |    |     |     |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Red-headed Woodpecker    |     |     |     |    |     | 2   |      |    |     |    | 23    |    |
| Red-naped Sapsucker      |     | 15  |     | 4N | 8   |     | 4    |    |     |    |       |    |
| Williamson's Sapsucker   |     | 2   |     | 1  |     | 1f  | 2    |    |     |    |       | 1  |
| Downy Woodpecker         |     |     | 2   |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| eastern races            |     |     |     |    |     | 1f  |      |    |     |    | 4     |    |
| Hairy Woodpecker         |     |     |     |    |     |     |      | 1  | 2   |    |       |    |
| "Rocky Mountain" race    |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| eastern races            |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| Northern Flicker         |     |     |     |    |     | 2H  |      |    |     | 1  |       |    |
| "Yellow-shafted" race    |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 3     |    |
| "Red-shafted" race       |     | 7   | 3   | 2  | 4   | 5   | 1    | 4  | 2   |    | 7     | 9  |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher   |     | 2   |     |    | 4   |     |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Western Wood-Pewee       |     | 2   | 3   |    | 3   | 4   | 20   | 2  |     | 4  | 2     | 2  |
| Eastern Wood-Pewee       |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Willow Flycatcher        |     |     |     |    |     | 1   |      |    |     |    |       |    |
| Least Flycatcher         |     |     |     |    |     |     |      |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Hammond's Flycatcher     |     |     |     |    |     |     | 1    |    |     |    |       |    |
| Dusky Flycatcher         |     |     |     | 2  |     |     |      |    |     |    |       |    |



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| AREA COVERED                  | PCC | NOP | GGC  | HR | BAR | NCC | RMP | RP | ECH | CH | NEC   | BR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED            | P   | MV  | F M  | MV | P   | PFM | M   | FM | F M | P  | P     | M  |
| Cordilleran Flycatcher        |     |     |      |    |     | 6   | 2   | 4  | 1   |    |       | 5  |
| "Empidonax" species           |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Say's Phoebe                  | 2   |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Western Kingbird              | 5   |     |      |    | 7   | 45  |     |    |     | 2  | 60    |    |
| Eastern Kingbird              | 1   |     |      |    | 24  | 5   |     |    |     | 7  | 85    |    |
| Horned Lark                   | 6   | 23  |      | 1  |     | 15  |     |    | 1   |    | 2     |    |
| Tree Swallow                  |     | 43  |      | 4N | 55  | 2   | 35N | 2  |     | 4  |       | 23 |
| Violet-green Swallow          |     | 12  | 6    | 4  | 1   | 100 | 20  | 8  | 2   |    |       | 47 |
| Northern Rough-winged Swallow |     |     |      |    | 2   |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Bank Swallow                  |     |     |      |    |     | 400 |     |    |     |    | 80    |    |
| Cliff Swallow                 |     | 21  | 150N |    | 75  | 370 |     | 2  |     | 11 | 100   | 3  |
| Barn Swallow                  | 8   | 19  | 3N   | 2N |     | 250 | 1   | 4  |     | 4  | 300   | 17 |
| Gray Jay                      |     | 1   |      |    | 4   |     | 1   |    | 6   |    |       |    |
| Steller's Jay                 |     |     |      | 2  |     |     | 3   | 9  | 3   |    |       | 7  |
| Blue Jay                      |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |    |     |    | 3     |    |
| Scrub Jay                     |     |     |      |    |     | 2   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Clark's Nutcracker            |     | 1   |      |    |     |     | 20  |    | 11  |    |       | 8  |
| Black-billed Magpie           | 2   | 4   | 5    |    | 2   | 8   | 3   | 8  | 1   |    | 3     | 7  |
| American Crow                 |     | 10  |      |    |     | 12  | 3   | 2  | 4   |    |       |    |
| Common Raven                  |     | 4   | 3    | 3  | 4   | 1   | 9   | 3  | 1   | 4  |       |    |
| Black-capped Chickadee        |     | 6   |      | 2  | 16  | 3   |     | 9  |     | 2  | 12    | 3  |
| Mountain Chickadee            |     | 8   | 1    | 1  | 1   | 6   | 4   | 7  | 3   |    |       |    |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch         |     |     |      |    |     |     | 1H  |    |     |    |       |    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch       |     |     |      | 2N |     | 5   | 3   | 3  |     |    |       | 1  |
| Pygmy Nuthatch                |     |     |      |    |     | 1   | 7   | 3  |     |    |       |    |
| Rock Wren                     |     | 2   | 2    | 2  |     | 1   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Canyon Wren                   |     |     |      |    |     | 3   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| House Wren                    |     | 6   | 2    | 2N | 4   | 15  | 9   | 6  | 2   | 6  | 40    | 6  |
| Marsh Wren                    |     |     |      |    |     | 10  |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| American Dipper               |     |     |      |    |     |     | 2   |    |     |    |       |    |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet        |     |     |      | 1  | 1   |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet          |     | 9   |      |    | 10  |     | 4   |    | 2   |    |       |    |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher         |     |     |      |    |     | 3   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Western Bluebird              |     |     |      |    |     | 6   | 5   | 2  |     |    |       |    |
| Mountain Bluebird             |     | 10  |      | 2N | 8   | 3   | 5   | 4  | 3   |    |       | 29 |
| Townsend's Solitaire          |     |     | 1    |    |     | 1   |     | 1  | 1   |    |       |    |
| Veery                         |     | 1   |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Swainson's Thrush             |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    |       | 1  |
| Hermit Thrush                 |     |     |      | 6  |     |     | 1   |    | 1   |    |       |    |
| American Robin                |     | 31  | 5    | 1  | 20  | 22  | 8   | 6  | 3   | 4  | 25    | 15 |
| Gray Catbird                  |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| Northern Mockingbird          |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    |       | 1  |
| Sage Thrasher                 |     |     |      |    |     | 6   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Brown Thrasher                |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    | 6     |    |
| American Pipit                |     |     |      |    |     |     | 5   |    | 11  |    |       |    |
| Cedar Waxwing                 |     |     |      |    |     | 7   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Loggerhead Shrike             | 1   | 1   |      |    |     | 1   |     |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| European Starling             | 15  |     | 5    | 1  | 30  | 150 |     |    |     | 41 | 1     |    |
| Bell's Vireo                  |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    | 1     |    |
| Solitary Vireo                |     |     |      |    |     |     | 1   |    |     |    |       |    |
| "Plumbeous" race              |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Warbling Vireo                |     | 2   | 2    |    |     | 1   |     | 1  |     |    | 3     |    |
| Red-eyed Vireo                |     |     |      |    |     | 3   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Orange-crowned Warbler        |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |    |     |    |       | 1  |
| Virginia's Warbler            |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     | 6  |     |    |       | 1  |
| Yellow Warbler                |     | 56  |      | 5  | 5   | 15  |     |    |     | 4  | 4     |    |

| JULY 1989               | 1   | 1&2 | 5   | 8    | 9   | 12  | 15  | 16 | 22  | 23 | 29&30 | 30 |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|-------|----|
| AREA COVERED            | PCC | NOP | GGC | HR   | BAR | NCC | RMP | RP | ECH | CH | NEC   | BR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED      | P   | MV  | F M | MV   | P   | PFM | M   | FM | F M | P  | P     | M  |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| "Audubon's" race        |     | 7   |     | 7    |     |     | 4   |    | 1 2 |    |       |    |
| American Redstart       |     |     |     |      | 1   | 1m  |     |    |     | 2  |       |    |
| MacGillivray's Warbler  |     | 2   |     |      |     |     | 1   | 1  |     | 1  | 8     |    |
| Common Yellowthroat     |     |     |     |      |     | 25  |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Wilson's Warbler        |     | 11  |     | 10   |     |     | 1   |    | 3   |    |       |    |
| Yellow-breasted Chat    |     |     |     |      |     | 20  |     |    |     | 1  | 1     |    |
| Western Tanager         |     |     |     |      |     | 1f  | 3   | 3  | 2   |    |       |    |
| Black-headed Grosbeak   |     |     | 2   |      |     | 4   | 1   |    | 2   | 7  | 1m    |    |
| Blue Grosbeak           |     |     |     |      |     | 2m  |     |    |     | 1  | 1m    |    |
| Lazuli Bunting          |     |     | 5   |      |     | 2m  |     |    |     | 1  |       |    |
| Indigo Bunting          |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    | 1m    |    |
| Lazuli+Indigo Bunting   |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     | 1  |       |    |
| Green-tailed Towhee     |     |     | 2   |      |     | 2   |     | 7  | 1   |    |       |    |
| Rufous-sided Towhee     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     | 1  |     | 1  |       |    |
| "Spotted" races         |     |     | 2   |      |     | 15  |     |    |     |    | 4     |    |
| Cassin's Sparrow        |     |     |     |      |     | 2   |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Chipping Sparrow        |     |     | 1   | 1    |     | 12  |     | 2  | 1   |    | 15    |    |
| Brewer's Sparrow        |     | 8   |     |      |     |     | 2H  |    |     |    | 1H    |    |
| Field Sparrow           |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Vesper Sparrow          | 22  | 1   |     | 1    |     | 20  |     |    |     |    |       | 2  |
| Lark Sparrow            | 1   |     |     |      |     | 15  |     |    |     |    | 90    |    |
| Lark Bunting            | 9   |     |     |      |     | 60  |     |    |     |    | 20    |    |
| Savannah Sparrow        | 2   |     |     | 22   |     | 10  |     |    |     |    | 2     |    |
| Grasshopper Sparrow     | 6   |     |     |      |     | 3   |     |    |     |    | 20    |    |
| Fox Sparrow             |     |     |     | 2    |     |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| "Slate-colored" race    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    | 1   |    |       |    |
| Song Sparrow            |     | 3   |     | 1 2  |     | 15  | 1   | 3  |     | 1  |       | 1  |
| Lincoln's Sparrow       |     | 2   |     | 1    |     |     | 7   |    |     |    |       | 5  |
| White-crowned Sparrow   |     | 22  |     | 14   |     |     | 3   |    | 4   |    |       |    |
| Dark-eyed Junco         |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    | 9   |    |       | 6  |
| "Gray-headed" race      |     | 6   |     | 1 7  |     | 3   | 6   | 6  |     |    |       |    |
| Red-winged Blackbird    | 15  | 50  | 4   | 4 16 | 70  | 250 | 2   |    |     | 4  | 120   | 10 |
| Western Meadowlark      | 30  | 3   | 5   |      | 8   | 150 |     |    |     | 5  | 100   | 1  |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird |     | 51  |     |      | 2   | 200 |     |    |     |    | 20    |    |
| Brewer's Blackbird      | 1   | 110 |     | 2 5  | 3   | 10  | 2   | 2  |     |    |       | 3  |
| Common Grackle          | 6   | 2   | 6   |      | 15  | 100 |     |    |     | 2  | 10    |    |
| Brown-headed Cowbird    | 2   | 13  | 1   | 4    | 2   | 15  |     |    | 2   | 2  | 3     |    |
| Orchard Oriole          |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    | 15    |    |
| Northern Oriole         |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     | 5  |       |    |
| "Baltimore" race        |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    | 1m    |    |
| "Bullock's" race        | 2   |     | 2   |      | 48  | 10  |     |    |     |    | 20    |    |
| Rosy Finch              |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| "Brown-capped" race     |     |     |     |      |     |     | 3   |    | 3   |    |       |    |
| Pine Grosbeak           |     |     |     | 4    |     |     |     |    | 1   |    |       |    |
| Cassin's Finch          |     |     |     | 14   |     |     |     | 5  | 1   |    |       | 1  |
| House Finch             | 1   |     | 5   |      |     | 3   | 1   | 8  |     | 6  | 1     |    |
| Red Crossbill           |     |     |     |      |     | 60  |     |    |     |    |       |    |
| Pine Siskin             |     | 13  | 1   | 25   |     | 10  | 2   | 12 | 7   |    |       | 6  |
| Lesser Goldfinch        |     |     | 7   |      |     | 15  |     | 3  |     |    |       |    |
| American Goldfinch      |     |     | 5   |      |     | 10  |     |    | 1   | 15 | 25    |    |
| Evening Grosbeak        |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |    | 1   |    |       |    |
| House Sparrow           |     | 1   | 3   |      | 8   | 300 |     | 2  | 2   |    | 30    |    |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 195     | 29  | 83  | 53  | 46   | 44  | 137 | 53  | 33 | 47  | 50 | 96    | 34 |

REPORTS FROM "TUESDAY BIRDERS"

JULY 4, HOLIDAY - NO TRIP SCHEDULED.

JULY 11, GUANELLA PASS (GRANT TO GEORGETOWN), BURNING BEAR CAMPGROUND.

Leader: Ann Bonnell. Observers: 30.

Mallard-1, Common Snipe-1, Broad-tailed Hummingbird-8, Belted Kingfisher-1, Red-naped Sapsucker-1, Tree Swallow-4, Violet-green Swallow-6, Barn Swallow-5, Gray Jay-3, Steller's Jay-2, Black-billed Magpie-9, American Crow-4, Common Raven-3, Mountain Chickadee-4, House Wren-2, American Dipper-2, Mountain Bluebird-2, Hermit Thrush-1, American Robin-8, European Starling-2, Warbling Vireo-4, Yellow-rumped Warbler-2, Wilson's Warbler-5, Green-tailed Towhee-1, Chipping Sparrow-1, Vesper Sparrow-1, White-crowned Sparrow-4, Dark-eyed "Gray-headed" race Junco-2, Red-winged Blackbird-8, Brewer's Blackbird-1, Common Grackle-1, Pine Siskin-6. (32 species, 105 individuals).

JULY 16, NON-BIRDING TRIP TO GOLDEN GATE CANYON STATE PARK AREA.

Leaders: Ann Bonnell & Terri Stewart. Observers: 40.

JULY 25, ESTES PARK-GEM LAKE TRAIL. Leaders: Ann Bonnell, Prather & Betsy Ashe.

Common Nighthawk-1, Broad-tailed Hummingbird-12, Downy Woodpecker-11, Western Wood-Pewee-6, Tree Swallow-4, Violet-green Swallow-5, Clark's Nutcracker-1, American Crow-4, Common Raven-2, Mountain Chickadee-2, Pygmy Nuthatch-11, House Wren-6, Townsend's Solitaire-1, American Robin-4, Western Tanager-2, Dark-eyed "Gray-headed" race Junco-2, Cassin's Finch-4. (17 species, 78 individuals).

Monna Krebs (compiler)

ADDITIONAL JULY 1989 REPORTS (Jack Reddall, compiler):

American Bittern 7-3 (1 adult) "Pelican Refuges", Morgan County (JR).  
Mississippi Kite 7-4 (1) perched on a wire over the intersection of Amherst and Perry Streets, Denver, Denver Co. (BO,HO).  
Solitary Sandpiper 7-3 (2) Prewitt Reservoir SWA, Washington Co. (JR).  
Long-billed Curlew 7-3 (2) Bijou Reservoir, Morgan Co. (JR).  
Band-tailed Pigeon 7-3 (1) Beaver Meadows, Rocky Mountain National Park, Larimer Co. (AH).  
Northern Pygmy-Owl 7-1 (1 adult) Lawn Lake Alluvial Fan, Rocky Mountain National Park, Larimer Co. (CF,GF,LR,MR). Other observers reported 2 adults and 2 immatures at this location on 7-5, 7-7 & 7-9.  
White-throated Swift 7-1 (2) Hack Ranch, Park Co. (CH,FH,KH).  
Calliope Hummingbird 7-14 (1 male) Hack Ranch, Park Co. (CH,FH).  
Rufous Hummingbird 7-3 (1) Hack Ranch, Park Co. (CH,FH,KH).  
Three-toed Woodpecker 7-19 (1 male) Lawn Lake Alluvial Fan, Rocky Mountain National Park (MP and many others).  
Cordilleran Flycatcher 7-8 through 7-30 (a nesting pair) location not given (AH); 7-18 (one bird building a nest, Endovalley, Rocky Mountain National Park (JR).  
Bank Swallow 7-3 (adult birds carrying food into a nest hole in high bank on south shore of Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR).  
Brown Thrasher 7-1 (1) Hack Ranch, Park Co. (CH,FH,KH).  
Cassin's Sparrow 7-3 (2 larking birds) Prewitt Reservoir SWA (JR).

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LISTERS CORNER!!!

It's been a long time since we addressed the needs of all of you avid listers out there. Hope we haven't "ticked off" too many through our negligence (no pun intended). Anyway, most of you have probably been far too busy this past spring and early summer chartering aircraft to hie yourselves off to Attu to "tick-off" the Chinese Little Bittern, Narcissus Flycatcher and Rufous Turtle Dove. Well, not to be outdone, this column presents precise information on finding the myriad of southern Florida escapes, otherwise known as "MIAMI EXOTICS" (courtesy of John Leo of New York City and staff writer for U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT). Ticking-off these species will undoubtedly earn you the envy of other world class listers who haven't had access to these valuable directions. However, a word of caution (sorry, a poor choice of words) these directions could have changed somewhat, since these exotics do have a tendency to move about. If you should require assistance in sorting out all of these exotics, John Leo suggests that you contact Mort Cooper (didn't he pitch baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals many years ago?) at 305+271-2413 who is doing a book on Miami Exotics. Mr. Cooper is not a member of the A.O.U. Check-List Committee for North American Birds unfortunately (or fortunately)! So here goes and good "ticking":

HILL MYNA can be found high in the bare branches inside the traffic circle where Old Cutler, Sunset and Lejeune meet in the southeast corner of Coral Gables.

COMMON MYNA nests at the shopping mall on S.W. 88th Street & S.W. 139th Avenue. Turn in between the Exxon station and the discount liquor store (stopping at the liquor store usually helps first), checking ledges early and dumpsters as garbage accumulates. At the rear of the mall one pair nests in a broken arc light near the "Pinch-a-Penny Furniture" store.

CRESTED MYNA and JUNGLE MYNA are present but often hard to find on the ledges of three identical industrial buildings on the north side of Blue Lagoon Drive just south of Miami Airport and just west of Red Road.

CANARY-WINGED PARAKEET, the nominate race, still nests in the royal palms leading up to Miami City Hall at 27th Avenue and Bay Shore Drive, Coconut Grove. This is best at dawn.

GREEN PARAKEET, RED-MASKED PARAKEET, DUSKY-FRONTED PARAKEET and CANARY-WINGED PARAKEET (chiriri race-has no white in the wing) show up regularly at the huge parrot feeders in Mrs. Hodgson's back yard at Apache and Wren Streets in Miami Springs, north of the Miami airport. The early afternoon is best. (Your Editor wonders what Field Guide describes all these exotics?).

MONK PARAKEET (if you haven't counted Denver's obviously escaped birds) is loudly present in Miami Springs as well. Look for them in the trees in the middle of Curtis Parkway just before the road ends in a traffic circle to the north.

SPOT-BREASTED ORIOLE can be found in or near the front yard of Art and Betty Furchgott, 6901 S.W. 96th Street in Kendall. The bird is irregular, so allow a full day! (Can a true "Lister" afford this sort of luxury?).

RED-WHISKERED BULBUL can be found on power lines around the Furchgott yard or anywhere else nearby in Kendall. Try the Royal Palm Tennis Club at S.W. 98th Street and S.W. 72nd Avenue.

COLLARED DOVE (that's EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE, John!) may reach Miami any day (it already has-Ed.). Now it is in Homestead, particularly on power lines along the west side of Archer Hospital (one or two RINGED

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TURTLE DOVES are mixed in).

MISCELLANEOUS PARROTS and PARAKEETS roost at dusk in the Australian Pines behind the Edgewater Apartments on the east side of the Dixie Highway (U.S. 1) at S.W. 80th Street opposite Fuchs Park. Recent sightings include (pay attention now): MONK PARAKEET, MITRED PARAKEET (wow), GREEN PARAKEET, NOBLE MACAW (incredible), LILAC-CROWNED PARAKEET, YELLOW-HEADED PARROT (fantastic), RED-MASKED PARAKEET (unbelievable), WHITE-CROWNED PARAKEET, BLUE-FRONTED AMAZON (your Editor can't take much more of this), RED-CROWNED PARROT and finally (thank goodness) ORANGE-WINGED PARAKEET. (whew!).

There you have it! Hope this makes amends and hasn't it been a pleasant season without those tiresome reports of the latest carrying-on of the Gunnison RED-BACKED HAWK?

1989-THIRTY-SEVENTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION Check-list of North American Birds. Auk 106:532-538.

Listed below is a summary of the species added, species split and name changes affecting those species found in North America north of Mexico.

A. SPECIES ADDED

STEJNEGER'S PETREL (Pterodroma longirostris)  
BLACK-TAILED GULL (Larus crassirostris)  
EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE (Streptelia decaocto)  
MOTTLED OWL (Cicaba virgata)  
GREENISH ELAENIA (Myiopagis viridicata)  
YELLOW-BREASTED BUNTING (Emberiza aureola)  
SHINY COWBIRD (Molothrus bonariensis)

Comment: None of these additions affect the State List of Colorado Birds.

B. SPECIES SPLIT

(Split of Western Flycatcher)

CORDILLERAN FLYCATCHER (Empidonax occidentalis)  
PACIFIC-SLOPE FLYCATCHER (Empidonax difficilis)

(Split of Black-tailed Gnatcatcher)

CALIFORNIA GNATCATCHER (Polioptila californica)  
BLACK-TAILED GNATCATCHER (Polioptila melanura)

(Split of Brown Towhee)

CALIFORNIA TOWHEE (Pipilo crissalis)  
CANYON TOWHEE (Pipilo fuscus)

Comment: On the State List of Colorado Birds, the WESTERN FLYCATCHER (Empidonax difficilis) becomes the CORDILLERAN FLYCATCHER (Empidonax occidentalis) and the BROWN TOWHEE (Pipilo fuscus) becomes the CANYON TOWHEE (Pipilo fuscus).

C. NAME CHANGES (\*Affects the State List of Colorado Birds)

NORTHERN GANNET (Morus bassanus) formerly (Sula bassanus)  
\*YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON (Nyctanassa violacea) formerly (Nycticorax violaceus)  
GREEN SANDPIPER (Tringa ochropus) formerly (Tringa ocropus)  
\*BARN OWL (Tyto alba) formerly COMMON BARN-OWL  
NORTHERN HAWK OWL (Surnia ulula) formerly NORTHERN HAWK-OWL

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C. NAME CHANGES (continued)

PAURAQUE (Nyctidromus albigollis) formerly COMMON PAURAQUE  
ASIAN BROWN FLYCATCHER (Muscicapa dauurica) formerly GRAY-BREASTED  
FLYCATCHER

EYEBROWED THRUSH (Turdus obscurus) formerly EYE-BROWED THRUSH

\*AMERICAN PIPIT (Anthus rubescens) formerly WATER PIPIT (Anthus spin-  
oletta)

REVISED FIELD CHECK-LIST OF COLORADO BIRDS

A revised Field Check-list of species most likely to be encountered in Colorado (state-wide) reflecting the changes listed above is included in this month's issue of the Lark Bunting. This Field Check-list does not include accidental or extremely rare species. However, if such a species is encountered, space is provided at the end of the Check-list for including this observation. Field Trip Leaders are urged to use this Check-list when reporting results of scheduled DFO field trips.

DOCUMENTING ACCIDENTAL AND VERY RARE SPECIES

Many Denver Field Ornithologists often question the need to provide written documentation of very rare or accidental species (including new species never recorded before in Colorado) encountered on DFO scheduled field trips and for independent sightings. A written report creates concrete evidence which can be permanently maintained as verification of the observation for immediate and future evaluation. This is particularly helpful for compilers/editors of ornithological journals who have to make decisions as to whether to publish a report or not. Many DFO bird-watchers faithfully submit written documentation to support their extraordinary observations. Many others do not leaving the compilers/editors in a quandary as to the soundness of the observation. As a service to all Denver Field Ornithologists, a form for documenting very rare and accidental species (as well as for new species for Colorado) is printed with this month's issue of the Lark Bunting and all Denver Field Ornithologists are requested to use it when submitting reports for extraordinary observations be it on scheduled DFO Field Trips or for Individual Observations. This procedure is required for every extraordinary observation irrespective of the observer's experience and competence.

It is also helpful to submit brief written data to support sightings that pose difficult field problems (e.g., adult Thayer's Gull, Gray-cheeked Thrush, Chihuahuan Raven vs. Common Raven, etc.) as well as for species found "out-of-season" (e.g., wintering Williamson's Sapsucker, wintering Northern Oriole, a summering Bohemian Waxwing, etc.). This can be accomplished easily by simply writing down a few pertinent details and submitting them to the compilers/editors. All documentation is maintained in a file kept by the compiler/editor of the Lark Bunting (your current compiler/editor has a rather large file going back several years). Here are some useful guidelines to follow when submitting all documentation:

- 1) Try to draw a sketch of your bird as even crude drawings made at the time of the observation can be very helpful,
- 2) Try to take a recognizable photograph of the bird if at all possible as this is the best evidence next to securing a specimen,
- 3, and whatever you do, do not copy descriptive material out of a Field Guide when making out a report. Take good notes in the field at the time of observation and use them to finalize your report.



DOCUMENTING ACCIDENTAL AND VERY RARE SPECIES (continued)

- 4) and last but certainly not least, when you do find a very rare or accidental bird, get others out to see it if at all possible, especially an experienced bird-watcher.

Finally, it has been the policy and will continue to be the policy of the Lark Bunting not to publish any reports called in to the Colorado Bird Report unless they are documented and submitted as outlined herein.

A list of very rare and accidental species follows which when encountered in the field must be completely documented in writing in accordance with the form suggested.

|                              |                             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Yellow-billed Loon           | Lesser Nighthawk            |
| Brown Pelican                | Whip-poor-will              |
| Olivaceous Cormorant         | Blue-throated Hummingbird   |
| Anhinga                      | Anna's Hummingbird          |
| Magnificent Frigatebird      | Eastern Wood-Pewee          |
| Tricolored Heron             | Alder Flycatcher            |
| Reddish Egret                | Black Phoebe                |
| White Ibis                   | Dusky-capped Flycatcher     |
| Glossy Ibis                  | Purple Martin (Plains only) |
| Roseate Spoonbill            | Long-billed Thrasher        |
| Wood Stork                   | Bendire's Thrasher          |
| Black-bellied Whistling Duck | Sprague's Pipit             |
| Trumpeter Swan               | Phainopepla                 |
| Brant                        | White-eyed Vireo            |
| American Black Duck          | Yellow-throated Vireo       |
| Eurasian Wigeon              | Lucy's Warbler              |
| Harlequin Duck               | Hermit Warbler              |
| Am. Swallow-tailed Kite      | Yellow-throated Warbler     |
| Common Black-Hawk            | Pine Warbler                |
| Gyr Falcon                   | Prairie Warbler             |
| Ruffed Grouse                | Cerulean Warbler            |
| Yellow Rail                  | Prothonotary Warbler        |
| Black Rail                   | Swainson's Warbler          |
| King Rail                    | Louisiana Waterthrush       |
| Purple Gallinule             | Connecticut Warbler         |
| Common Moorhen               | Mourning Warbler            |
| Whooping Crane (Plains only) | Painted Redstart            |
| Eskimo Curlew                | Hepatic Tanager             |
| Sharp-tailed Sandpiper       | Painted Bunting             |
| Ruff                         | Henslow's Sparrow           |
| American Woodcock            | Le Conte's Sparrow          |
| Long-tailed Jaeger           | Sharp-tailed Sparrow        |
| Little Gull                  | Brambling                   |
| Common Black-headed Gull     | White-winged Crossbill      |
| Mew Gull                     |                             |
| Lesser Black-backed Gull     |                             |
| Glaucous-winged Gull         |                             |
| Great Black-backed Gull      |                             |
| Ross' Gull                   |                             |
| Ivory Gull                   |                             |
| Arctic Tern                  |                             |
| Marbled Murrelet             |                             |
| Ancient Murrelet             |                             |
| White-winged Dove            |                             |
| Groove-billed Ani            |                             |
| Barred Owl                   |                             |

NOTE: Next month a list of species that are troublesome to identify in the field and which require brief written documentation to support the sighting.

LOCALITY \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME BIRDING (From) \_\_\_\_\_ (To) \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL SPECIES \_\_\_\_\_  
 MILES COVERED (By Car) \_\_\_\_\_ (On Foot) \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL INDIVIDUALS \_\_\_\_\_  
 WEATHER \_\_\_\_\_ TEMPERATURE \_\_\_\_\_ °F  
 WIND (Direction) \_\_\_\_\_ (Velocity) \_\_\_\_\_ MPH. LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
 OBSERVERS (Alphabetical Order) \_\_\_\_\_

|                         |                        |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Pacific Loon            | Sharp-shinned Hawk     | Western Sandpiper      |
| Common Loon             | Cooper's Hawk          | Least Sandpiper        |
| Pied-billed Grebe       | Northern Goshawk       | White-rumped Sandpiper |
| Horned Grebe            | Broad-winged Hawk      | Baird's Sandpiper      |
| Eared Grebe             | Swainson's Hawk        | Pectoral Sandpiper     |
| Western Grebe           | Red-tailed Hawk        | Dunlin                 |
| Clark's Grebe           | _____ western races    | Stilt Sandpiper        |
| Am. White Pelican       | _____ "Harlan's" race  | Long-billed Dowitcher  |
| Double-crest. Cormorant | _____ "Krider's" race  | Common Snipe           |
| American Bittern        | Ferruginous Hawk       | Wilson's Phalarope     |
| Great Blue Heron        | Rough-legged Hawk      | Red-necked Phalarope   |
| Great Egret             | Golden Eagle           | Franklin's Gull        |
| Snowy Egret             | American Kestrel       | Bonaparte's Gull       |
| Cattle Egret            | Merlin                 | Ring-billed Gull       |
| Green-backed Heron      | Peregrine Falcon       | California Gull        |
| Black-cr. Night-Heron   | Prairie Falcon         | Herring Gull           |
| Yellow-cr. Night-Heron  | Chukar                 | Thayer's Gull          |
| White-faced Ibis        | Ring-necked Pheasant   | Glaucous Gull          |
| Tundra Swan             | Blue Grouse            | Sabine's Gull          |
| Gtr. White-fr. Goose    | White-tail. Ptarmigan  | Common Tern            |
| Snow Goose              | Sage Grouse            | Forster's Tern         |
| _____ "White" morph     | Gtr. Prairie-Chicken   | Black Tern             |
| _____ "Blue" morph      | Lsr. Prairie-Chicken   | Rock Dove              |
| Canada Goose            | Sharp-tailed Grouse    | Band-tailed Pigeon     |
| Wood Duck               | Wild Turkey            | Mourning Dove          |
| Green-winged Teal       | Northern Bobwhite      | Black-billed Cuckoo    |
| Mallard                 | Scaled Quail           | Yellow-billed Cuckoo   |
| Northern Pintail        | Gambel's Quail         | Greater Roadrunner     |
| Blue-winged Teal        | Virginia Rail          | Barn Owl               |
| Cinnamon Teal           | Sora                   | Flammulated Owl        |
| "Blue-winged" Teal sp.  | American Coot          | Eastern Screech-Owl    |
| Northern Shoveler       | Sandhill Crane         | Western Screech-Owl    |
| Gadwall                 | Black-bellied Plover   | Great Horned Owl       |
| American Wigeon         | Lesser Golden-Plover   | Northern Pygmy-Owl     |
| Canvasback              | Snowy Plover           | Burrowing Owl          |
| Redhead                 | Semipalmated Plover    | Long-eared Owl         |
| Ring-necked Duck        | Killdeer               | Short-eared Owl        |
| Greater Scaup           | Mountain Plover        | Northern Saw-Whet Owl  |
| Lesser Scaup            | Black-necked Stilt     | Common Nighthawk       |
| Oldsquaw                | American Avocet        | Common Poorwill        |
| Surf Scoter             | Greater Yellowlegs     | Black Swift            |
| Common Goldeneye        | Lesser Yellowlegs      | Chimney Swift          |
| Barrow's Goldeneye      | Solitary Sandpiper     | White-throated Swift   |
| Bufflehead              | Willet                 | Black-chn. Hummingbird |
| Hooded Merganser        | Spotted Sandpiper      | Calliope Hummingbird   |
| Common Merganser        | Upland Sandpiper       | Broad-tld. Hummingbird |
| Red-breasted Merganser  | Whimbrel               | Rufous Hummingbird     |
| Ruddy Duck              | Long-billed Curlew     | Belted Kingfisher      |
| Turkey Vulture          | Marbled Godwit         | Lewis' Woodpecker      |
| Osprey                  | Ruddy Turnstone        | Red-headed Woodpecker  |
| Mississippi Kite        | Red Knot               | Red-bellied Woodpecker |
| Bald Eagle              | Sanderling             | Red-naped Sapsucker    |
| Northern Harrier        | Semipalmated Sandpiper | Williamson's Sapsucker |

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| Ladder-backed Woodpecker | Western Bluebird        | Canyon Towhee           |
| Downy Woodpecker         | Mountain Bluebird       | Cassin's Sparrow        |
| "Batchelder's" race      | Townsend's Solitaire    | Rufous-crowned Sparrow  |
| eastern races            | Veery                   | American Tree Sparrow   |
| Hairy Woodpecker         | Swainson's Thrush       | Chipping Sparrow        |
| "Rocky Mountain" race    | Hermit Thrush           | Clay-colored Sparrow    |
| eastern races            | American Robin          | Brewer's Sparrow        |
| Three-toed Woodpecker    | Gray Catbird            | Field Sparrow           |
| Northern Flicker         | Northern Mockingbird    | Vesper Sparrow          |
| "Yellow-shafted" race    | Sage Thrasher           | Lark Sparrow            |
| "Red-shafted" race       | Brown Thrasher          | Black-throated Sparrow  |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher   | Curve-billed Thrasher   | Sage Sparrow            |
| Western Wood-Pewee       | American Pipit          | Lark Bunting            |
| Willow Flycatcher        | Bohemian Waxwing        | Savannah Sparrow        |
| Least Flycatcher         | Cedar Waxwing           | Grasshopper Sparrow     |
| Hammond's Flycatcher     | Northern Shrike         | Fox Sparrow             |
| Dusky Flycatcher         | Loggerhead Shrike       | "Slate-colored" race    |
| Gray Flycatcher          | European Starling       | "Yukon" race            |
| Cordilleran Flycatcher   | Bell's Vireo            | Song Sparrow            |
| "Empidonax" species      | Gray Vireo              | Lincoln's Sparrow       |
| Eastern Phoebe           | Solitary Vireo          | Swamp Sparrow           |
| Say's Phoebe             | "Plumbeous" race        | White-throated Sparrow  |
| Ash-throated Flycatcher  | "Cassin's" race         | White-crowned Sparrow   |
| Great Crested Flycatcher | Warbling Vireo          | "eastern" race          |
| Cassin's Kingbird        | Red-eyed Vireo          | "Gambel's" race         |
| Western Kingbird         | Tennessee Warbler       | Harris' Sparrow         |
| Eastern Kingbird         | Orange-crowned Warbler  | Dark-eyed Junco         |
| Scissor-tail. Flycatcher | Nashville Warbler       | "White-winged" race     |
| Horned Lark              | Virginia's Warbler      | "Slate-colored" race    |
| Tree Swallow             | Northern Parula         | "Oregon" race           |
| Violet-green Swallow     | Yellow Warbler          | "Gray-headed" race      |
| No. Rough-winged Swallow | Chestnut-sided Warbler  | McCown's Longspur       |
| Bank Swallow             | Magnolia Warbler        | Lapland Longspur        |
| Cliff Swallow            | Yellow-rumped Warbler   | Chestnut-coll. Longspur |
| Barn Swallow             | "Myrtle" race           | Snow Bunting            |
| Gray Jay                 | "Audubon's" race        | Bobolink                |
| Steller's Jay            | Black-thr. Gray Warbler | Red-winged Blackbird    |
| Blue Jay                 | Townsend's Warbler      | Western Meadowlark      |
| Scrub Jay                | Black-th. Green Warbler | Yellow-headed Blackbird |
| Pinyon Jay               | Grace's Warbler         | Rusty Blackbird         |
| Clark's Nutcracker       | Blackpoll Warbler       | Brewer's Blackbird      |
| Black-billed Magpie      | Black-and-white Warbler | Great-tailed Grackle    |
| American Crow            | American Redstart       | Common Grackle          |
| Chihuahuan Raven         | Ovenbird                | Brown-headed Cowbird    |
| Common Raven             | Northern Waterthrush    | Orchard Oriole          |
| Black-capped Chickadee   | MacGillivray's Warbler  | Northern Oriole         |
| Mountain Chickadee       | Common Yellowthroat     | "Baltimore" race        |
| Plain Titmouse           | Hooded Warbler          | "Bullock's" race        |
| Bushtit                  | Wilson's Warbler        | Rosy Finch              |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch    | Yellow-breasted Chat    | "Gray-crowned" race     |
| White-breasted Nuthatch  | Summer Tanager          | "Black" race            |
| Pygmy Nuthatch           | Scarlet Tanager         | "Brown-capped" race     |
| Brown Creeper            | Western Tanager         | Pine Grosbeak           |
| Rock Wren                | Northern Cardinal       | Cassin's Finch          |
| Canyon Wren              | Rose-breasted Grosbeak  | House Finch             |
| Bewick's Wren            | Black-headed Grosbeak   | Red Crossbill           |
| House Wren               | Blue Grosbeak           | Common Redpoll          |
| Winter Wren              | Lazuli Bunting          | Pine Siskin             |
| Marsh Wren               | Indigo Bunting          | Lesser Goldfinch        |
| American Dipper          | Dickcissel              | American Goldfinch      |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet   | Green-tailed Towhee     | Evening Grosbeak        |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet     | Rufous-sided Towhee     | House Sparrow           |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher    | "Spotted" races         |                         |
| Eastern Bluebird         | eastern race            |                         |



UNDERPARTS (chin, throat, belly, sides, flanks, crissum, etc.):

RETRICES (inner, middle & outer tail feathers; color, pattern, shape, etc.):

WINGS (color, length, shape, bars, coverts, etc.):

VOCALIZATION (call/song, method of delivery, i.e., from perch, in flight):

HABITAT:

ELIMINATION OF SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES:

PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES:

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Please notify the Treasurer, Mr. Alan Hay - 6361 Brooks Drive, Arvada, Colorado 80004 (Tel. 422-0239). DO NOT CONTACT THE EDITOR!

FAILURE TO RECEIVE THE LARK BUNTING

For one-time failures to receive the Lark Bunting, please contact the Editor, Jack Reddall (Tel. 771-5308) who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the Lark Bunting two months in a row, please contact the Treasurer, Mr. Alan Hay - 6361 Brooks Drive, Arvada, Colorado 80004 IN WRITING who will investigate the problem for corrective action.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Phyllis Eggleston - 2075 S. University #311, Denver, CO 80210 (394-4613)  
Melissa Schell - 12705 W. 52nd Ave., Arvada, CO 80002 (420-6051)

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS' FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

INSTRUCTIONS TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS

1. Compile a summary of your field trip in Sixth A.O.U. Check-list order showing the total number of birds observed for each species and mail it immediately after the field trip to: Jack Reddall - 4450 South Alton Street, Englewood, Colorado 80111. PLEASE NOTE: Submitting field trip summaries in Sixth A.O.U. Check-list order saves the Editor considerable time and trouble since his worksheets are laid out in this manner. There are several Field Check-lists currently in circulation that are badly out-of-date and/or unsuitable for use by the Editor. Field trip leaders are urged to use the Field Check-list appearing in this month's issue of the Lark Bunting or follow its format to compile and submit results of their field trips.
2. Along with your summary, submit a list in alphabetical order of the names of all observers participating in the field trip, a note on weather and wind conditions, temperature, miles covered by car and on foot and the duration of the trip.
3. Include any observations of recognizable "color morphs" (e.g., Snow Goose-"White" morph vs. "Blue" morph) and/or subspecies (e.g., Northern Oriole-"Baltimore" race vs. "Bullock's" race) with your summary.
4. On field trips where more than one life zone is visited, please submit individual totals of species and numbers for each species found in each life zone (e.g., Plains, Foothills, Mountains, Alpine).
5. Individual field trips are acceptable and will be published along with the results of regularly scheduled DFO field trips depending upon space and interest.
6. Deadline for receipt of all field trip reports is the fifth of the following month. Any reports received after this deadline will not be published in the current monthly summaries.
7. Please notify the Editor (Jack Reddall - Tel. 771-5308) if a field trip is cancelled for any reason.



PLEASE CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES.

SEPTEMBER 2, Saturday. WHITE RANCH-JEFFERSON OPEN SPACE. Leader: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 7:30 A.M. Park on street east of Wheat Ridge Methodist Church, west of 38th and Vance Street (one block east of Wadsworth Blvd.). \*

2,3&4, Labor Day Weekend. SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO. Leader: Dan Bridges (755-7665). On September 2nd, meet at 9:00 A.M. at the Diamond Shamrock Gas Station in Ordway (junction of Colorado Highways 71&96). Trip will start at Lake Meredith and go to Cheraw, Hasty, Nee-So-Pah Reservoir and Lamar. Overnight will be primitive camping in Cottonwood Canyon or in Springfield (motels or good private campground). On September 3rd, birding will be in Cottonwood Canyon area. On September 4th, birding will be flexible. Bring food and water for lunch in the field and snacks.

9&10, Saturday and Sunday. ANNUAL FALL COUNT. Coordinator: Hugh Kingery (333-0161). Compiler: Carol Hack (777-7893). Field Trip results must be mailed to reach Carol Hack at 1034 South Steele Street, Denver, Colorado 80210 no later than September 22, 1989. If you want your Count area published in the Lark Bunting you must adhere to this schedule. No exceptions will be made!

SEPTEMBER 9, SATURDAY:

LOWER BEAR CREEK. Leader: Mary Jane Schock (922-3144). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at Bear Valley Shopping Center (southwest section near the Burlington Coat Factory) at South Sheridan Blvd. north of Hampden Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*

CHATFIELD SRA. Leaders: Joey and Brenda Kellner (985-0552). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Park and Ride, South Wadsworth Blvd. and U.S. Hwy. 285 (southwest corner) or at west entrance (Deer Creek) to the park off Colo. Hwy. 75 at 6:45 A.M. \*

WATERTON. Leader: Hugh Kingery (333-0161). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the Park and Ride, South Wadsworth Blvd. and U.S. Hwy. 285 (southwest corner) or at Waterton Bridge at 6:45 A.M. \*

SEPTEMBER 10, SUNDAY:

CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Joe TenBrink (452-6546). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the west entrance to the park near the Cherry Creek High School. \*

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Urling Kingery (333-0161). Call Leader. The number of observers is limited on this Count. \*

BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leader: Dick Schottler (278-8035). Meet at 6:30 A.M. at the entrance station to Barr Lake State Park. This is a strenuous all day, 10 mile hike around the lake. \*

BARR LAKE PERIPHERY. Leader: Walt Bull (751-1032). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the entrance station to Barr Lake State Park. \*

CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Need a volunteer!

19 SEPTEMBER 16, Saturday. RIGLI RANCH (near Fort Morgan). Leader: Joe Rigli. Coordinator: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History in the north parking lot (east end) or at the Pepperpod Restaurant in Hudson (I-76) at 7:45 A.M. \*

17, Sunday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT. Leader: Mort Staatz (279-6169). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Prospect Park, West 44th Avenue near Robb Street. \*

23, Saturday. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Bobbie Ausfahl (798-0552). Meet leader at 7:15 A.M. at the gate to the Arboretum (just west of south Wadsworth Blvd. on Deer Creek Canyon Road). \*

24, Sunday. BOULDER AREA. Leader: Norm Erthal (424-6747). Meet at 7:00 A.M. at the Park and Ride at Broadway and the Boulder Turnpike (U.S. Hwy. 36) or at 7:30 A.M. at 28th Street and Boulder Creek in Boulder. \*

30, Saturday. PLUM CREEK, SEDALIA, CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Meet at 7:30 A.M. at Safeway Parking Lot, South Logan and East Hampden Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 285). \*

\*-BRING LUNCH

Submitted by:

Ruth Breckon (455-0970)

Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

Field Trip Coordinators

TUESDAY BIRDERS: You are welcomed to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

THE DFO (nee the COLORADO BIRD CLUB) 30 YEARS AGO:

"THE 1959 NESTING SEASON" by Dennis L. Carter (CBN, Vol. 7, No. 1).

The highlight of the nesting season was the appearance of eastern species in greater numbers than usual. The Yellow-billed Cuckoo was numerous and well distributed again this year. The rare Black-billed Cuckoo was apparently more numerous than usual. Many of the cuckoos were seen in localities where box elder trees were heavily infested with webworms. A male Indigo Bunting mated with a female Lazuli Bunting at Red Rocks Park. The nest was located on July 5 and later contained two eggs. The eggs hatched, but perhaps because of numerous disturbances, the nest was deserted and the young died. Two or three male hybrid IndigoX Lazuli Buntings were also seen at Red Rocks. They were dark blue above and white below and lacked the red breast band. A male Indigo Bunting was present east of Golden during the summer and a singing male was found at Golden on July 2. The Dickcissel invasion evoked the most comment and was probably the most extensive. The species was first found along West Hampden Avenue on June 15 and was subsequently seen by many observers at various localities south and southwest of Denver. On June 21, 12 singing males were found between Denver and Morrison. One was found in a meadow between Tintown and highway #285 on June 21. The Dickcissel was present in at least two localities near Golden, and a nest with three young was found in the McIntyre Road area on July 31. Five Dickcissels were seen in the nesting locality on August 15. At least six pairs of Grasshopper Sparrows spent the summer on the east side of Green Mountain, 5 miles west of Denver. A nest with five young was found on July 15 and again observed the following day. R.J. Niedrach found this species at the same spot about 30 years ago; this is the first record since then. A Grasshopper Sparrow was observed at the corner of Kipling and Bellevue, southwest of Denver on June 28.

**DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS -- Membership Information**

**WELCOME to the D.F.O.**

**PURPOSE:** The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December). 7:30 p.m. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on Rare Bird Alert 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.

**FIELD TRIPS:** These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.

**BULLETIN:** A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.

**D. F. O. RARE BIRD ALERT: (303)423-5582**

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Family Membership--\$10 (if paid after Oct. 1, valid for next year)

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen Membership (Age 65 or Older) -- \$8

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Membership (Age 18 or younger) --\$5

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LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT

IDENTIFIABLE SUBSPECIES AND COLOR MORPHS - NUMBER 5.

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW (Zonotrichia leucophrys)

"Eastern" (nominate) race (Zonotrichia leucophrys leucophrys)

"Gambel's" race (Zonotrichia leucophrys gambelii)

TAXONOMIC STATUS & DISTRIBUTION: The Fifth Edition of the A.O.U. Check-list of North American Birds (1957) recognized the "Rocky Mountain" race (Zonotrichia leucophrys oriantha), a western mountain form. However, in a monographic study covering geographic variation in White-crowned Sparrows, Richard C. Banks (1964) found that the high altitude birds of western states are similar to those of eastern Canada and therefore, oriantha is considered a synonym of leucophrys.

The "Eastern" or leucophrys race breeds from northcentral and northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec and northern Labrador SOUTHWARD along the tops of western mountains in south-central Oregon, central eastern California, south-central Nevada, southwestern Utah, central eastern Arizona, southwestern Colorado and northwestern New Mexico and from central northern Ontario, central and southeastern Quebec to northern Newfoundland. It winters from southern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and central Texas, Kansas, central Missouri, central Kentucky, West Virginia and western North Carolina SOUTHWARD into northern Mexico.

The "Gambel's" or gambelii race breeds from north-central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central eastern Mackenzie and central western Keewatin SOUTHWARD to southern Alaska, southeastern Yukon, northwestern and central British Columbia (where it intergrades with leucophrys), southwestern Alberta (intergrades with leucophrys), northern Saskatchewan and northern Manitoba. It winters from southern British Columbia, southeastern Washington, southern Idaho, central Wyoming and northeastern Kansas SOUTHWARD to Southern Baja California and northern Mexico.

BASIC DIFFERENCES IN FIELD MARKS:

|                           | <u>leucophrys</u>                                                                  | <u>gambelii</u>                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ADULT<br>(sexes alike)    | Crown boldly marked with black and white stripes. <u>LORES BLACK</u> . Bill: pink. | Crown boldly marked with black and white stripes. <u>LORES WHITE</u> (white line above eye <u>is continuous to the beak</u> instead of stopping over the eye as in <u>leucophrys</u> . Bill: orange-yellow |
| IMMATURE<br>(sexes alike) | Crown marked with reddish-brown and buffy stripes. <u>LORES DARK BROWN</u> .       | Crown marked with reddish-brown and buffy stripes. <u>LORES PALE BUFFY</u> (pale line above eye <u>is continuous to the beak</u> instead of stopping over the eye as in <u>leucophrys</u> .                |

STATUS IN COLORADO: The leucophrys race is a common spring (arriving in good numbers from the south by mid-April) and fall migrant on the eastern plains in to the foothills and to western Colorado valleys and mesas. It is a very common high mountain breeder in alpine willow thickets, dwarfed subalpine fir and Englemann's Spruce (from 9500' up to 12000'). It is occasionally found at lower elevations in eastern and western Colorado during winter, but most migrate southward out of the state.

STATUS IN COLORADO (continued):

The gambelii race is a common spring and fall migrant and winter visitor in brushy thickets on the eastern high plains and in the western valleys, occasionally ranging into the mountains. Generally, this race arrives in the state by mid-September and leaves by late May. It does not breed in the state.



leucophrys race



gambelii race

SUGGESTED SPOTS IN COLORADO AND OPTIMUM PERIODS TO OBSERVE:

Eastern or leucophrys race during summer breeding season (early June into mid August):

- Mount Evans (near timberline)
- Rocky Mountain National Park (along Trail Ridge Road)
- Guanella Pass (Clear Creek County)
- Loveland and Berthoud Passes

During Spring and Fall migration:

Brushy areas along the riparian areas of the main water courses in the state; brushy areas near the larger reservoirs; parks, yards, at feeders.

Gambel's or gambelii race during winter months (early November through late April early May):

- Muir Springs Park near Fort Morgan (very good!)
- Tamarack Ranch SWA near Crook
- Bonny Reservoir and South Republican SWA, Yuma County
- Chatfield and Cherry Creek SRA (some years very scarce)
- Brushy areas along the riparian areas of the main water courses throughout the state at lower elevations.

SUGGESTED SPOTS IN COLORADO AND OPTIMUM PERIODS TO OBSERVE (continued):

NOTE: During spring and fall migrations both of these races can occur together or in separate flocks. So take a second look and try to determine which races are present.

SUGGESTED REFERENCES:

Field Guide to the Birds of North America, National Geographic Society, 2nd edition, pages 404 & 405.

Birds of Colorado, Bailey & Niedrach, 1965, Volume II, pages 824-829, color plate 122.

A Guide to Field Identification-Birds of North America, Robbins, Bruun, Zim & Singer, 1983, pages 340 & 341.

CRANE COUNTERS NEEDED

The Colorado Bird Observatory is conducting fall counts of Greater Sandhill Cranes at their staging grounds in Routt County in northwestern Colorado. The project is financially sponsored by the U.S. Forest Service and the Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Program of Division of Wildlife. Greater Sandhill Cranes nest in Colorado and are a state endangered species.

Volunteer counters will be needed for 8 weekly counts (weekends or weekdays) in September and October. Volunteers will count total numbers of cranes and numbers of juveniles in each of three areas along the Yampa River in one day.

You will see hundreds to thousands of cranes, your mileage (\$.20/mile) and lodging will be reimbursed, and you will be in Northwest Colorado during fall migration. We need 3-4 people to go every week, since the counts are somewhat difficult to conduct. If you would like to participate or need more information, contact Mike Carter. Write a short note to Mike at Colorado Bird Observatory, 13401 Piccadilly Road, Brighton CO 80601, or leave a message at the Barr Lake State Park office (659-6005) and he will call you.





# THE LARK BUNTING

## MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS OF THE DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY, EXCEPT  
FOR DECEMBER, AT 7:30 PM, DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1989

PROGRAM: "Fall Migrant Birds of Colorado" - a color slide presentation by Harold Holt.

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### AUGUST 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES:

AUG 5, Saturday. Bailey, Guanella Pass, & Georgetown (BGG). Leader: Robert Spencer. Observers: Irma Applegren, Jessie & Walt Bowles, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Kathy Hirst, Kathy Holt, Irv Jackson, Barbara & Paul Johnson, Hazel Kellogg, George Malosh, Mary Jane Schock, Anne Southcott, Joe TenBrink, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams, Amy Young. (Mostly clear, afternoon shower; Wind, W 0-10 MPH; 60-75F). 75 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (40 species, 244 individuals).

6, Sunday. Cherry Creek SRA (CCR). Leader: Ruth Breckon. Observers: Jean & Jim Fredlund, Ann Oberg, Frances & Harold Piser, Don & Jo Shrode, Mort Staatz. (Overcast to partly cloudy; Wind, 0-20 MPH; 55-70F). 5 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (43 species, 992 individuals).

7 & 8, Monday & Tuesday. Southeastern Colorado: Denver to Limon, Kit Carson, and

- Eads; Nee-Noshe Reservoir, Upper & Lower Queens Lake, Blue Lake, Las Animas, Timber Lake, Cheraw, and Lake Henry (SEC). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Partly cloudy to cloudy; Wind, E 0-20 MPH; 55-85F). 563 miles by car, 9 miles on foot. 24.5 hours birding. (101 species, 10991 individuals).
- AUG 12, Saturday. Evergreen Area: Bergen Park, Elk Meadows, and Elk Management Area (EV). Leader: Bill Brockner. Observers: Elizabeth Billingsly, Lori Chappell, Warren Finch, Jack Harman (Texas), Susan & Thompson Marsh, Martha McCauley, Anne Southcott, Helen Tripp, Vito Tursi, Ruth Wheeler. (Cloudy and rainy: Wind, calm; 58-68F). 41 miles by car, 2.8 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (19 species, 45 individuals).
- 13, Sunday. Barr Lake & vicinity (BAR). Leader: Walt Bull. Observers: Joe TenBrink, Chris & Russ Wood. (Partly cloudy; Wind, calm; 58-78F). 20 miles by car, 3.5 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (49 species, 1606 individuals).
- 19, Saturday. Phantom Canyon (PHC). Leader: Wendy Ledbetter (Nature Conservancy). Coordinator: Jean Maguire. Observers: Jo Caldwell, Nancy Decio, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Charlie & Donna Simmons, Joe TenBrink, Ruth Wheeler, Helen Williams, Amy Young. (Sunny to partly cloudy to severe rain and hail; Wind, W 0-30 MPH; 50-75F). 0 miles by car, 1.6 miles on foot. 3 hours birding. (22 species, 70 individuals).
- 20, Sunday. Bear Creek Lake Park, Mount Falcon, Kittredge area (BCL). Leader: Cal Wichern. Observers: Irma Applegren, Merlynn Brown, Jeff Green, Hugh Ravatt, Dan & Nina Spener, Virgil Williams, Chris Wood. (Sunny; Calm; 50-85F). 40 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 8 hours birding. (46 species, 289 individuals).
- 22&23, Tuesday & Wednesday. Northeastern Colorado: Prospect Reservoir; farm ponds at Weld County Roads 6 & 61, 6 & 67, and 18 & 53; Lower Latham Reservoir; Crow Valley Campground; Muir Springs Park; Jackson Reservoir (NEC). Observer: Jack Reddall. (Overcast becoming partly cloudy then clear; Wind, S 0-25 MPH; 50-88F). 310 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 23 hours birding. (97 species, 13230 individuals).
- 22&23, Tuesday & Wednesday. Southeastern Colorado: Lathrop State Park, Blue Lake, Cottonwood Canyon, Twin Buttes Reservoir, Nee-Noshe Reservoir area (SOU). Observer: Phil Hayes. (Cloudy with thundershowers then clear; Wind, N 0-30 MPH; 60-95F). 410 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 20 hours birding. (68 species, 2466 individuals).
- 26, Saturday. Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA). Leaders: Ed Holub, Peter Gober. Observers: Ruth Breckon, Ed & Roberta Cummings, Hazel Kellogg, Ann Oberg, Anne Southcott, Ruth Wheeler. (Sunny; Wind, calm; 52-86F). 20 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (54 species, 759 individuals).
- 27, Sunday. Sedalia, Plum Creek, & Castlewood Canyon State Park (SPC). Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Mary Dexter, Terry Flag Folle, Irv Jackson, Terry Montes, Alberta Nelson, Donna Sole, Eleanor White, Chris & Russ Wood, Amy Young. (Partly sunny; Wind, NW 0-5 MPH; 55-80F). 100 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (31 species, 284 individuals).
- 30, Wednesday. Northeastern Colorado: Denver to Prewitt and Jackson Reservoirs (PJR). Leader: Jack Reddall. Observers: Patty Echelmeyer, Glenn and Jeane Hageman, Joe Himmel, Kathy Holt, Joey Kellner, Thompson Marsh, Mort Staatz, Virgil Williams. (Mostly clear; Wind, S 0-10 MPH; 62-95F). 260 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 12 hours birding. (93 species, 3940 individuals).

## TUESDAY BIRDERS TRIPS

- AUG 1. I-70 TO MOUNT EVANS AREA. Leaders: Ann Bonnell & Lorraine Renier. 30 observers. (19 species, 82 individuals).
8. KENOSHA PASS AREA & BURLAND RANCHETTES. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 33 observers. (28 species, 166 individuals).
15. MT. EVANS STATE ELK MANAGEMENT AREA & POND NEAR EVERGREEN GOLF COURSE. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 23 observers. (33 species, 165 individuals).
22. MAXWELL FALL. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 24 observers. (14 species, 66 individuals).
29. CHATFIELD ARBORETUM. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 29 observers. (33 species, 197 individuals).

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## AUGUST 1989 FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Nine scheduled DFO field trips in August recorded 147 species. An additional 38 species were reported on individual trips for a total of 185. The Tuesday Birders reported 6 species not recorded on regular DFO or individual trips making a grand total of 191 species for the month.

The BGG trip participants enjoyed seeing a Western Wood-Pewee nest with three young aboard. The trip recorded the only American Dipper and Lincoln's Sparrow seen during the month.

The CCR trip saw 2 Virginia Rail, the only ones of the month. They saw hundreds of swallows and some other good birds.

The EV trip was hampered by rainy weather but recorded the only Ovenbird seen on a DFO trip this year to date.

Several species not seen on any other scheduled trip were seen on the BAR trip.

Ruth Wheeler, who will become 90 this month, made it half way down into Phantom Canyon on the PHC trip. Happy Birthday, Ruth! A variety of raptors seem to have been the specialty of the PHC trekkers.

Those on the BCL trip enjoyed beautiful weather and saw the only White-throated Swift of the month.

The exclusive vanload of folk on the RMA trip recorded 54 species including a Nashville Warbler.

The participants of the scenic SPC trip saw 7 Mountain Bluebird and an equal number of Cedar Waxwing.

The hot PJR trip to northeastern Colorado recorded many species not seen on any other scheduled trip and recorded a higher total number of species (93) than any other. Among the more noteworthy of those are 3 Red-necked Phalarope, an Eastern Phoebe, and a Blackpoll Warbler.

Most of the 38 "extra" species seen on the individual trips were expectable in the areas visited but a few are worthy of special note. These include a Bufflehead and a Red Phalarope seen on the NEC trip, Least Tern again reported from Blue Lake in Bent County on the SEC and SOU trips, and 2 Western Screech-Owl heard and seen in Las Animas County on the SOU trip.

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ABBREVIATIONS used in following table: P=Plains; F=Foothills; M=Mountains; a=adult; i=immature; n=nestling; m=male; f=female; e=escapee?; H=Heard only.



| AUGUST 1989               | 5   | 6   | 7&8  | 12 | 13  | 19  | 20  | 22&23 | 22&23 | 26  | 27  | 30  |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| AREA COVERED              | BGG | CCR | SEC  | EV | BAR | PHC | BCL | NEC   | SOU   | RMA | SPC | PJR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED        | M   | P   | P    | M  | P   | F   | PF  | P     | P     | P   | PF  | P   |
| Pied-billed Grebe         |     |     | 3    |    | 9   |     | 2   | 5     | 33    | 16  |     |     |
| Eared Grebe               |     |     | 20   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Western Grebe             |     | 48  | 10   |    | 4   |     |     | 3200  | 9     |     |     | 175 |
| Clark's Grebe             |     |     | 60   |    |     |     |     | 1     | 45    |     |     | 1   |
| American White Pelican    |     | 1   | 1110 |    | 26  |     |     | 165   | 45    | 5   |     | 350 |
| Double-crested Cormorant  |     | 130 | 220  |    | 11  |     | 10  | 815   | 60    | 3   | 4   | 150 |
| Great Blue Heron          |     | 5   | 135  |    | 13  |     | 6   | 18    | 12    | 4   |     | 45  |
| Snowy Egret               |     |     | 10   |    | 12  |     |     | 4     |       |     |     | 3   |
| Cattle Egret              |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 70    |       | 1   |     | 1   |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron |     | 1   | 4a   |    | 1   |     | 4   |       |       | 3   |     | 1a  |
| White-faced Ibis          |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 18    |       |     |     |     |
| <u>Snow Goose</u>         |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| "White" morph             |     |     | 1a   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Canada Goose              |     | 5   | 5    |    | 435 |     |     | 1075  |       | 210 | 1   | 15  |
| Green-winged Teal         |     |     | 5    |    |     |     |     | 31    | 17    |     |     | 30  |
| Mallard                   |     | 49  | 200  |    | 350 |     | 18  | 552   | 25    | 34  |     | 50  |
| Northern Pintail          |     |     | 39   |    |     |     |     | 40    |       |     |     |     |
| "Blue-winged" Teal sp.    |     |     | 435  |    |     |     |     | 280   |       |     |     | 30  |
| Northern Shoveler         |     |     | 1    |    |     |     |     | 85    |       |     |     | 1   |
| Gadwall                   |     |     |      |    | 6   |     | 4   | 200   | 2     | 1   |     |     |
| American Wigeon           |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 2     | 1     |     |     |     |
| Redhead                   |     |     | 800  |    | 1   |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Ring-necked Duck          |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Lesser Scaup              |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| <u>Bufflehead</u>         |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     |     |
| Ruddy Duck                |     | 7   | 15   |    |     |     |     | 20    |       |     |     | 5   |
| Turkey Vulture            |     |     | 35   |    |     | 4   |     |       | 9     | 3   | 12  |     |
| Mississippi Kite          |     |     | 4a   |    |     |     |     |       | 3     |     |     |     |
| Northern Harrier          |     |     | 3f   |    | 2   |     |     | 2     |       |     |     | 1f  |
| Swainson's Hawk           |     |     | 33   |    | 8   |     |     | 16    | 12    | 4   | 3   | 14  |
| Red-tailed Hawk           |     | 1   |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     | 8   |     |
| western races             | 2   |     | 2    |    |     | 2   | 4   | 4     | 2     | 6   |     | 4   |
| Ferruginous Hawk          |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 3     |       | 1   |     |     |
| Golden Eagle              |     |     |      |    |     | 2   |     |       | 3     |     | 2   |     |
| American Kestrel          |     | 2   | 19   |    | 4   | 2   | 3   | 10    | 6     | 6   | 7   | 9   |
| <u>Merlin</u>             |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Peregrine Falcon          |     |     | 1a   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Prairie Falcon            |     |     |      |    |     | 1   |     |       | 1     |     |     |     |
| Ring-necked Pheasant      |     |     | 1f   |    |     |     |     |       |       | 6   |     | 1   |
| Wild Turkey               |     |     |      |    |     |     |     |       | 1a2i  | 1e  |     |     |
| Northern Bobwhite         |     |     | 2H   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Scaled Quail              |     |     | 2    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Virginia Rail             |     | 2   |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Sora                      |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 6     |       |     |     |     |
| American Coot             |     | 5   | 6    |    | 30  |     |     | 2000  | 120   | 86  |     | 20  |
| Black-bellied Plover      |     |     | 1    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Snowy Plover              |     |     | 1    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Semipalmated Plover       |     |     | 1    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Piping Plover             |     |     | 3    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Killdeer                  | 1   | 13  | 195  |    | 48  |     |     | 120   | 10    | 25  |     | 60  |
| Mountain Plover           |     |     |      |    |     |     |     | 4     |       |     |     |     |
| Black-necked Stilt        |     |     | 11   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| American Avocet           |     |     | 35   |    | 2   |     |     |       |       | 1   |     |     |
| Greater Yellowlegs        |     |     | 14   |    | 2   |     |     | 5     |       |     |     | 3   |
| Lesser Yellowlegs         |     |     | 5    |    |     |     |     | 85    | 2     | 9   |     | 30  |
| Solitary Sandpiper        |     |     | 1    |    |     |     |     | 5     |       |     |     | 4   |

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| Tuesday | Birders | M  | M  | P  |
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| AREA COVERED             | BGG  | CCR  | SEC  | EV | BAR | PHC | BCL | NEC   | SOU   | RMA | SPC | PJR | Tuesday | Birders | M  | M  | M  |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED       | M    | P    | P    | M  | P   | F   | PF  | P     | P     | P   | PF  | P   | M       | M       | M  | M  | P  |
| Spotted Sandpiper        |      | 6a2i | 32   |    | 1   |     |     | 2     | 1     | 3   |     | 8   | 2       |         |    |    | 5  |
| Marbled Godwit           |      |      | 2    |    |     |     |     | 2     |       |     |     | 2   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Sanderling               |      |      | 2    |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper   |      |      | 1    |    | 15  |     |     | 1     |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Western Sandpiper        |      |      | 12   |    | 10  |     |     | 16    |       |     |     | 20  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Least Sandpiper          |      |      | 160  |    |     |     |     | 135   |       | 2   |     | 75  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Baird's Sandpiper        |      |      | 350  |    | 8   |     |     | 450   | 10    |     |     | 500 |         |         |    |    |    |
| Pectoral Sandpiper       |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     | 3   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Stilt Sandpiper          |      |      | 150  |    |     |     |     | 6     |       |     |     | 60  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Short-billed Dowitcher   |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher    |      |      | 3    |    |     |     |     | 140   | 15    |     |     | 18  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Wilson's Phalarope       |      |      | 3    |    |     |     |     | 153   |       | 2   |     | 3   |         | 1       |    |    |    |
| Red-necked Phalarope     |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 7     |       |     |     | 3   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Red Phalarope            |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Franklin's Gull          |      |      | 1885 |    | 3   |     |     | 120   | 165   |     |     | 150 |         |         |    |    |    |
| Ring-billed Gull         |      | 2    | 135  |    | 92  |     | 2   | 160   | 720   | 5   |     | 400 |         |         |    |    |    |
| California Gull          |      | 15   | 27   |    | 7   |     | 1   | 51    |       |     |     | 30  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Herring Gull             |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 2     |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Forster's Tern           |      | 5    | 40   |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     | 17  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Least Tern               |      |      | 8    |    |     |     |     |       | 2     |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Black Tern               |      |      | 87   |    |     |     |     | 95    |       |     |     | 30  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Rock Dove                |      | 3    | 13   |    | 30  | 6   | 3   | 107   | 2     | 4   | 4   | 20  | 1       |         |    |    | 2  |
| Band-tailed Pigeon       |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     |         | 5       |    |    |    |
| Mourning Dove            |      | 17   | 630  | 1  | 81  |     | 18  | 355   | 125   | 74  | 5   | 125 |         |         |    |    | 13 |
| Greater Roadrunner       |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       | 3     |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Western Screech-Owl      |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       | 2     |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Great Horned Owl         |      |      | 1    |    |     |     |     | 1     |       | 1   |     | 2a  |         |         |    |    | 1  |
| Burrowing Owl            |      | 1    |      |    |     |     |     |       | 3     | 7   |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Common Nighthawk         |      |      | 5    |    |     |     |     | 2     | 1     | 1   |     | 1   |         |         |    |    | 1  |
| Common Poorwill          |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       | 1H    |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| White-throated Swift     |      |      |      |    |     |     | 1   |       |       |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird | 12   |      |      | 4  |     |     | 2   |       |       |     | 5   |     | 8       | 8       | 7  | 14 |    |
| Rufous Hummingbird       | 3    |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     | 2       |         |    |    |    |
| Belted Kingfisher        |      | 1    | 2    |    |     |     | 2   | 1     | 1     | 2   |     | 3   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Lewis' Woodpecker        |      |      | 1    |    |     |     |     |       | 14    |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Red-headed Woodpecker    |      |      | 5    |    |     |     |     | 2     | 1     |     |     | 15  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Downy Woodpecker         |      |      |      |    | 1   |     |     |       |       |     | 2   |     |         |         |    |    | 3  |
| eastern races            |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     | 5   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Hairy Woodpecker         |      |      |      |    |     |     | 1   |       |       |     |     |     |         | 1       |    |    |    |
| eastern races            |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Northern Flicker         |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       | 4     |     | 5   | 17  |         |         |    |    |    |
| "Yellow-shafted" race    |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| "Red-shafted" race       | 5    | 6    | 2    | 1  | 1   | 1   | 8   | 11    |       | 2   |     |     |         |         | 1  |    | 1  |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher   |      |      |      | 1  |     |     | 2   | 3     |       |     |     | 3   |         |         |    |    | 1  |
| Western Wood-Pewee       | 2a3n | 2    | 1    | 4  | 3   |     | 3   | 20    | 5     | 5   | 2   | 10  |         |         | 1  |    |    |
| Willow Flycatcher        |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Least Flycatcher         |      |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Hammond's Flycatcher     |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Cordilleran Flycatcher   | 3    |      |      |    |     |     |     | 1     |       |     |     | 1   |         |         | 1  |    |    |
| "Empidonax" species      |      |      |      |    |     | 1   |     | 2     |       |     |     | 3   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Eastern Phoebe           |      |      |      |    |     |     |     |       | 1     |     |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Say's Phoebe             |      |      |      |    |     |     | 1   |       |       | 2   |     | 1   |         |         |    |    |    |
| Western Kingbird         |      | 4    | 420  |    | 5   |     | 2   | 55    | 30    | 36  | 4   | 180 |         |         |    |    | 19 |
| Eastern Kingbird         |      | 3    | 21   |    | 3   |     | 1   | 15    |       | 2   | 1   | 25  |         |         |    |    |    |
| Horned Lark              |      |      | 225  |    |     | 5   |     | 75    | 50    |     |     |     |         |         |    |    |    |
| Tree Swallow             | 9    | 50   |      |    |     |     |     |       |       |     |     |     | 9       |         |    |    |    |

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|---------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Violet-green Swallow                              | 6             |               |                 | 2             |                | 2              |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Northern Rough-winged Swallow                     |               | 2             | 1               |               |                |                | 5               |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Bank Swallow                                      |               |               | 8               |               |                |                |                 | 500               |                   |                |                 | 20             |
| Cliff Swallow                                     |               | 200           | 3               |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   | 31             |                 |                |
| Barn Swallow                                      | 2             | 250           | 585             |               | 32             | 2              | 20              | 700               | 20                | 25             | 2               | 350            |
| Gray Jay                                          | 3             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Steller's Jay                                     | 3             |               |                 | 4             |                |                | 2               |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Blue Jay                                          |               |               | 3               |               |                |                | 3               | 9                 |                   |                |                 | 35             |
| Scrub Jay                                         |               |               |                 |               |                | 1              | 4               |                   | 3                 |                | 10              |                |
| Clark's Nutcracker                                |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Black-billed Magpie                               | 3             | 9             | 13              | 1             | 23             |                | 12              | 9                 | 12                | 17             | 10              | 8              |
| American Crow                                     | 2             |               |                 | 1             |                |                |                 | 15                | 14                | 3              |                 | 1              |
| Chihuahuan Raven                                  |               |               | 2               |               |                |                |                 |                   | 10                |                |                 |                |
| Common Raven                                      | 6             |               |                 | 2             |                | 1              |                 |                   | 3                 |                |                 |                |
| Black-capped Chickadee                            |               | 3             | 1               | 2             | 4              |                | 12              | 2                 |                   | 10             | 2               | 20             |
| Mountain Chickadee                                | 14            |               |                 | 6             |                |                | 2               |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Plain Titmouse                                    |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   | 4                 |                |                 |                |
| Bushtit                                           |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   | 8                 |                |                 |                |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch                             | 1             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| White-breasted Nuthatch                           | 1             |               |                 | 1             |                |                | 5               |                   |                   |                |                 | 1              |
| Pygmy Nuthatch                                    | 8             |               |                 |               |                |                | 7               |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Brown Creeper                                     |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Rock Wren                                         |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   | 1                 |                |                 |                |
| Canyon Wren                                       |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   | 1                 |                |                 |                |
| Bewick's Wren                                     |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   | 4                 |                |                 |                |
| House Wren                                        | 11            |               | 4               | 1             | 1              |                |                 | 5                 |                   | 1              | 1               | 8              |
| American Dipper                                   | 1             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                              | 3             |               |                 |               |                |                | 1               |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Eastern Bluebird                                  |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 7              |
| Western Bluebird                                  |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Mountain Bluebird                                 | 3             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                | 7               |                |
| Hermit Thrush                                     |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 1              |
| American Robin                                    | 14            | 19            | 17              |               | 2              | 13             | 4               | 14                | 8                 | 9              | 14              | 40             |
| Northern Mockingbird                              |               |               | 3               |               |                |                |                 |                   | 2                 |                |                 | 1              |
| Sage Thrasher                                     |               |               | 1               |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Brown Thrasher                                    |               |               | 1               |               |                |                |                 | 8                 |                   |                |                 | 4              |
| American Pipit                                    |               |               | 2               |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| Cedar Waxwing                                     |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                | 7               | 7              |
| Loggerhead Shrike                                 |               |               | 6               |               | 2              |                |                 | 6                 | 4                 |                |                 | 2              |
| European Starling                                 | 1             | 3             | 565             |               | 14             |                | 29              | 385               | 9                 | 15             | 140             | 100            |
| Warbling Vireo                                    |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 1              |
| Red-eyed Vireo                                    |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 6              |
| Orange-crowned Warbler                            |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 | 2                 |                   |                |                 |                |
| Nashville Warbler                                 |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   | 1              |                 |                |
| Yellow Warbler                                    |               |               | 2               |               | 2              |                |                 | 3                 |                   | 1              |                 | 5              |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                             |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| "Audubon's" race                                  | 19            |               |                 | 2             |                |                |                 |                   |                   | 1              |                 |                |
| Townsend's Warbler                                |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 1f             |
| Blackpoll Warbler                                 |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 1              |
| American Redstart                                 |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 | 1m1f           |
| Ovenbird                                          |               |               |                 | 1             |                |                |                 |                   |                   |                |                 |                |
| MacGillivray's Warbler                            |               |               |                 |               |                |                |                 | 1                 |                   |                |                 | 1              |
| Common Yellowthroat                               |               |               | 4               |               |                |                |                 | 2                 |                   | 3              |                 | 3              |
| Wilson's Warbler                                  | 3             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 | 30                |                   |                |                 | 35             |
| Yellow-breasted Chat                              |               |               | 3               |               |                |                |                 | 5                 |                   |                |                 |                |
| Western Tanager                                   | 3             |               |                 |               |                |                |                 | 3                 |                   |                |                 |                |



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| AUGUST 1989             | 5   | 6   | 7&8 | 12 | 13  | 19   | 20  | 22&23 | 22&23 | 26  | 27  | 30  |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|-----|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| AREA COVERED            | BGG | CCR | SEC | EV | BAR | PHC  | BCL | NEC   | SOU   | RMA | SPC | PJR |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED      | M   | P   | P   | M  | P   | F    | PF  | P     | P     | P   | PF  | P   |
| Black-headed Grosbeak   | 2   |     |     |    |     |      | 1   | 1     |       |     |     | 4   |
| Blue Grosbeak           |     |     | 12  |    | 2   |      |     | 2     | 1m    |     |     |     |
| Lazuli Bunting          |     | 2   |     |    |     | 1a1i | 1   |       |       | 2   | 2   |     |
| Green-tailed Towhee     |     |     |     |    |     | 2    |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Rufous-sided Towhee     |     |     |     |    |     | 10   |     |       |       |     | 1   |     |
| Canyon Towhee           |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       | 10    |     |     |     |
| Chipping Sparrow        | 15  | 1   |     | 6  |     |      |     | 45    |       |     | 12  | 50  |
| Brewer's Sparrow        |     |     |     |    |     |      |     | 5     |       |     |     |     |
| "Spizella" species      |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     | 100 |
| Vesper Sparrow          |     |     |     |    |     | 1    | 12  |       | 20    |     |     |     |
| Lark Sparrow            | 1   |     | 325 |    | 75  |      | 2   | 30    | 60    | 4   |     | 20  |
| Lark Bunting            |     |     | 620 |    | 123 |      |     | 40    | 550   |     |     |     |
| Savannah Sparrow        |     |     | 1   |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Song Sparrow            |     | 4   |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     | 1   |     |
| Lincoln's Sparrow       | 1   |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| White-crowned Sparrow   | 17  |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Dark-eyed Junco         |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| "Gray-headed" race      | 13  |     |     | 4  |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Red-winged Blackbird    | 2   | 29  | 435 |    | 45  |      | 6   | 32    | 40    |     |     | 15  |
| Western Meadowlark      |     | 5   | 105 |    | 3   | 2    | 3   | 45    | 13    | 5   |     | 20  |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird |     |     | 26  |    | 24  |      |     | 100   |       | 3   |     |     |
| Brewer's Blackbird      |     | 5   | 1   |    |     |      |     | 60    | 65    |     |     | 4   |
| Common Grackle          |     | 18  | 266 |    | 14  |      | 25  | 160   | 1     | 6   |     | 300 |
| Brown-headed Cowbird    | 1   |     | 15  |    |     |      |     |       | 2     |     |     |     |
| Orchard Oriole          |     |     | 3   |    |     |      |     | 1     |       |     |     |     |
| Northern Oriole         |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| "Baltimore" race        |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     | 1m  |
| "Bullock's" race        |     |     | 32  |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     | 3f  |
| Rosy Finch              |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     |     |     |
| Cassin's Finch          | 3   |     |     | 1  |     |      | 2   |       |       |     |     |     |
| House Finch             |     | 27  | 10  |    |     |      | 25  | 8     |       | 44  |     |     |
| Pine Siskin             | 17  |     |     |    |     | 8    | 2   |       |       |     | 5   |     |
| Lesser Goldfinch        | 1   | 2   |     |    |     |      |     |       |       |     | 1   |     |
| American Goldfinch      |     | 27  | 15  |    | 2   | 1    |     | 15    |       |     | 4   | 4   |
| Evening Grosbeak        | 24  |     |     |    |     |      | 6   |       |       |     |     |     |
| House Sparrow           |     |     | 230 |    | 14  |      |     | 150   | 25    | 5   |     | 20  |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 185 + 6 | 40  | 43  | 101 | 19 | 49  | 22   | 46  | 97    | 68    | 54  | 31  | 93  |

| 1       | 8       | 15    | 22 | 29 |
|---------|---------|-------|----|----|
| Tuesday | Birders | Trips |    |    |
| M       | M       | M     | M  | P  |
|         | 1       |       |    |    |
|         |         | 1     |    | 11 |
|         |         |       |    | 1  |
|         |         |       |    | 1  |
|         |         | 1     |    | 2  |
| 7       |         |       |    |    |
|         | 10      | 3     | 4  |    |
|         | 2       |       |    | 2  |
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| 4       |         |       |    |    |
|         | 3       |       |    |    |
|         | 8       |       |    | 2  |
|         | 27      | 4     |    |    |
|         |         |       |    | 5  |
|         |         |       |    | 3  |
|         | 25      |       | 5  |    |
| 19      | 28      | 33    | 14 | 33 |

# ADDITIONAL AUGUST 1989 REPORTS

## Instructions for submitting "Additional Reports"

1. Individual "Additional Reports" of interesting sightings made during the month are welcomed. However, the Editor reserves the right to publish only those reports that are deemed as unusual/rare or as augmenting the reports submitted by field trip leaders from scheduled DFO field trips.

2. The reports should be submitted in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List (1983, 1985, 1987, & 1989) order and include the date(s) of observation, number of birds seen, sex and plumage if possible, and specific location. Please refer to the supplement of the Lark Bunting, Volume 24, Number 11 (August 1989), for instructions on preparing written documentation to support observations of extremely rare or accidental species as well as for those species that pose difficult field identification problems.

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3. Deadline for receipt of all additional reports is the fifth of the following month. They should be sent to the Editor.

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Cattle Egret 8-25 (66) Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (BA).

Peregrine Falcon 8-16 (1 sub-adult) Prewitt Reservoir, Washington Co. (JH, JR).

Long-billed Curlew 8-19 (1 adult) Murphy's Pasture, Pawnee National Grassland, Weld Co. (JR).

Little Gull 8-29&30 (1 juvenal) Cherry Creek Reservoir, Arapahoe Co. (BR, JR).

Written details submitted (BR, JR).

Calliope Hummingbird 8-25 (1 immature male) 10 mi. NW of Briggsdale, Weld Co. (BA).

Written details submitted.

Willow Flycatcher 8-19 (1) Crow Valley Campground, Briggsdale, Weld Co. (JR).

Least Flycatcher 8-16 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (JH, JR).

Great-crested Flycatcher 8-19 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (NE).

Pinyon Jay 8-21 (3) Near Gardner, Huerfano Co. (PH).

Red-breasted Nuthatch 8-29 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (JR).

Eastern Bluebird 8-16 (1 male, 3 fledged immatures) Prewitt Reservoir (JH, JR).

Solitary Vireo ("Cassin's" race) 8-19 (1) Prewitt Reservoir (NE).

American Redstart 8-29 (1 female) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (JR).

Grasshopper Sparrow 8-16 (1) "Pelican Refuge" along County Rd. #2, Morgan Co. (JR).

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CONTRIBUTORS: Bob Andrews (BA), Norm Erthal (NE), Phil Hayes (PH), Joe Himmel (JH), Jack Reddall (JR).

#### A NOTE FROM THE NEW EDITOR

It is with some trepidation that I take over editorship of the *Lark Bunting* from Jack Reddall. After more than eight years as editor Jack wished to have more unrestricted time for travel (By the time you receive this issue, Jack and his wife Dorothy will be sightseeing in Scandinavia). Jack has made the transition easier by allowing me to help in the preparation of last month's issue and by sharing the wisdom gained by his years of experience. Thanks, Jack!

There will be a few changes in the *Lark Bunting*: 1) Because my knowledge of the birds of Colorado and birds in general is shy of Jack's profound knowledge I will not have the "authority" he did in monitoring the reports sent in by trip leaders or the reporters of additional sightings. I will, however, continue to ask that trip leaders supply written details of rare birds or species that are found out of season or their natural habitat. It will help if all trip leaders and additional reporters be particularly careful when reporting "strange" birds. Although, like Jack, I may on occasion question a sighting, you shouldn't count on the editor to keep you honest. 2) Jack's inimitable editorials will be missing. I hope and expect, though, that he will continue to submit some of his fine articles on the differentiation of subspecies. 3) I will experiment with type styles and formatting ploys with hope of making the epistle more attractive and easier to read.

Other things won't be changed. We will continue the policy of refusing to print personal or commercial ads. The *Lark Bunting* will continue to be primarily an organ to announce scheduled meetings and field trips, to report on past field trips, additional bird reports, and announcements of general interest to Colorado birders.

I will be receptive to your suggestions on ways to improve the *Lark Bunting*. I may not accept your suggestions but will listen.

PLEASE SEND NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, FIELD TRIP REPORTS, ADDITIONAL REPORTS, AND ANY OTHER MATERIAL INTENDED FOR THE *LARK BUNTING* TO PHIL HAYES, 42 SOUTH BALSAM ST., LAKEWOOD 80226. IT SHOULD BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN THE 5TH TO BE INCLUDED IN ANY MONTH'S ISSUE.

## NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT

We heartily thank the following individuals for their generous contributions to the Colorado Bird Report (423-5582): Toni Brevillier, Linda Vidal, Christopher Wood.

### PURCHASING "BIRDER'S GUIDE" BOOKS

Be sure to purchase your copies of the "Birder's Guide" series (Lane and Holt) at regular monthly meetings of the Denver Field Ornithologists. Forty percent of all sales made at DFO meetings are turned over to our treasury.

### NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Treasurer, Mr. Alan Hay - 6361 Brooks Drive, Arvada, CO 80004 (Tel. 422-0239). **DO NOT contact the editor!**

### FAILURE TO RECEIVE THE LARK BUNTING

For one-time failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*, contact the Editor, Phil Hayes (Tel. 771-5308) who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the *Lark Bunting* two months in a row, contact the Treasurer, in writing.

### FLORIDA AUDUBON PROGRAM FOR INJURED RAPTORS

To help support a program to care for and rehabilitate injured and orphaned birds of prey, collect cancelled foreign and domestic commemorative postage stamps, undamaged duck and state conservation stamps, and old foreign picture postal cards. For information about this Florida Audubon Program, call Patty Echelmeyer (233-4947).

### COLORADO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Theme: "Saving Colorado's Native Flora on Public Lands". Date: Oct. 28. Registration at 8:15 AM. Location: Petroleum Hall, Green Center, Colorado School of Mines Campus. Kenote Speaker: Faith Campbell of Natural Resources Defense Council. Admission: Free. Call Carol Dawson (722-6758) or Betsy Neely (443-8094) for information.

### DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS'S FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 1989

#### FIELD TRIP LEADERS NEEDED

If you would like to lead a field trip for the Denver Field Ornithologists, please contact either Ruth Breckon (455-0970) or Ruth Wheeler (455-3924).

#### CARPPOOLING URGED ON FIELD TRIPS

All field trip participants are urged to carpool whenever possible to help conserve energy and reduce air pollution. If you contemplate going on any of the scheduled field trips listed below, please contact the Leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling.

#### TRANSPORTATION COSTS ON FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on scheduled DFO field trips. The suggested share is 10 cents per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

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CALL THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT AT 423-5582 BEFORE GOING ON A FIELD TRIP  
TO DETERMINE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY CHANGES IN SCHEDULING  
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- OCT 1, Sunday. CHATFIELD SRA. Leader: Irv Jackson (233-2171). Carpool at 7:00 AM at Park & Ride on Wadsworth just south of U.S. 285 (Hampden) or meet at 7:30 AM at the west gate of Chatfield SRA. Bring lunch.
- 7, Saturday. ROXBOROUGH STATE PARK. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Carpool at 7:30 AM in parking area south of Albertson's on the northwest corner of South Broadway and County Line Road or meet at 8:15 AM at the Roxborough State Park parking lot. Bring lunch.
- 8, Sunday. WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT & MT. OLIVET CEMETERY. Leader: Patty Echelmeyer (233-4947). Meet at 8:00 AM at Prospect Park Lake (West 44th Ave. near Robb St.). Bring lunch.
- 14, Saturday. BOULDER AREA. Leader: Alex Cruz (1-776-8989). Carpool at 7:15 AM south of W. 38th on Vance St. (1 block east of Wadsworth) east of Wheat Ridge Methodist Church parking lot. Meet leader at 8:00 AM at Bureau of Standards parking lot in Boulder (west of Broadway and south of Baseline). Bring lunch.
- 15, Sunday. BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leader: Joe TenBrink (452-6546). Meet at 8:00 AM at the Nature Center in the park. Bring lunch.
- 21&22, Saturday & Sunday. SAN LUIS VALLEY & LATHROP STATE PARK (for cranes & more). Leader: Alan Hay (422-0239). Register with leader who will assist with carpooling. Meet at 8:00 AM Saturday at Park & Ride on Wadsworth just south of U.S. 285 (Hampden). Bring food for lunches and snacks. Stay Saturday night at Monte Vista in Monte Villa Inn (1-719-852-5766) or camp at Country Trailer Court (1-719-852-5030). Participants will meet Richard Schnaderbeck of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at 2:00 PM on Saturday at Headquarters of Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge (5 miles south of Monte Vista on Road 15) for crane observation tour. On return to Denver on Sunday participants will visit Home Lake, Alamosa Wildlife Refuge, and Lathrop State Park.
- 22, Sunday. BEAR CREEK: PLAINS TO FOOTHILLS. Leader: Cal Wichern (693-3718). Meet at 8:00 AM west of Burlington Coat Factory in southwest section of Bear Valley Shopping Center (on east side of Sheridan just north of Hampden or U.S. 285). Bring lunch.
- 28, Saturday. ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Call Leader as trip will be limited to 9 participants. Meet at 7:30 AM at east end of north parking lot of Denver Museum of Natural History. Bring lunch.
- OCT 29, Sunday. LOWER LATHAM RESERVOIR & GREELEY AREA. Leader: Dick Pratt (759-5568). Meet at 7:00 AM MST at east end of north parking lot of Denver Museum of Natural History. Bring lunch.

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TUESDAY BIRDERS: You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday of the month. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

DENVER AUDUBON SOCIETY ARESENAL TRIPS

The Denver Audubon Society is sponsoring trips to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on October 7 and 21 and November 4. Call 860-1471 for information.

FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE ARSENAL TOUR

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service invites DFO members to a tour of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on October 14. The tour will start at 7:30 AM in double-decker bus from the arsenal parking lot and will include the Signing Ceremony for the Denver Area Cooperative Bald Eagle Study at 10:00 AM. Call 289-0132 for reservations and information. (You are invited to the signing ceremony even if you do not wish to take the tour).



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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY, EXCEPT  
FOR DECEMBER, AT 7:30 PM, DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1989

PROGRAM: "Birding in the Middle East" - a talk with color slides by Nick Watmough

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**SEPTEMBER 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES**

**SEPTEMBER 2, Saturday.** (WRP)  
White Ranch Jefferson County Open Space.  
Leader: Ruth Breckon. Observers: Nancy Denise, Allison & Lisa Boyd, Irv Jackson, Hazel Kellogg, JoAnne Kyhl, Don & Jo Shrode, Ruth Wheeler, Amy Young. (Clear AM, partly cloudy PM; Wind, 0-10 MPH; 75-90F). 27 miles by car, 7.7 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (26 species, 191 individuals).

**SEPTEMBER 2-4, Saturday thru Monday.** (SEC)  
Southeastern Colorado: Lake Meredith, Cheraw, John Martin Dam area, Nee-So-Pah & Nee-No-She Reservoirs, Cottonwood Canyon,

Carrizo Picnic Ground, Burchfield SWA, below Two Buttes Dam, and Holly. Leader: Dan Bridges. Observers: Betty Billingsley, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Alan & Dee Hay, Bill Howe, Randy Lentz, Jean Maguire, Martha McCauley, Jean Morgan, Joe Roller, Pat Snider, Joyce Takamine, Joe TenBrink. (Sunny; Wind, SW 0-10 MPH; 50-95F). 850 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 29 hours birding. (156 species, 4193 individuals).  
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**SEPTEMBER 9&10, Saturday & Sunday.**  
**ANNUAL FALL COUNT.** Coordinator: Hugh Kingery. Compiler: Carol Hack.

**SEPTEMBER 9, Saturday.** (LBC)  
Lower Bear Creek & Marston Reservoir.

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Leader: Mary Jane Schock. Observers: Hazel Kellogg, Bob Schueneman, Bob Spencer, Ruth Wheeler. (Misting 2 hours then heavily overcast; Wind, calm; 46-52F). 25 miles by car, 5.5 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (59 species, 2479 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 9, Saturday. (CHT)  
Chatfield SRA. Leaders: Joey & Brenda Kellner. Observers: Glenn Hageman, Ed Holub, Randy Lentz, Jack Reddall, Mort Staatz, Steve Stachowiak, Chris Wood. (Overcast all day with light drizzle in AM; Wind, NW-NE 5-10 MPH; 42-51F). 20 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 10.5 hours birding. (105 species, 3237 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 9, Saturday. (WAT)  
Waterton. Leader: Hugh Kingery. Observers: Jill Knaak, Steve Wynkoop, Scott Yarberry. (Drizzly rain AM, cloudy PM). 10 miles by car, 6 miles on foot. 10 hours birding. (76 species, 1688 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 10, Sunday. (CCR)  
Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA. Leader: Joe TenBrink. Observers: Bill Howe, Irv Jackson, Joey Kellner, Jean Maguire, Bob Righter. (Fog to clear AM, rain in PM; Wind, N 5-20 MPH; 40-65F). 8 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 9.5 hours birding. (86 species, 1796 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 10, Sunday. (RMA)  
Rocky Mountain Arsenal. Leader: Urling Kingery. Observers: Pete Gober, Hugh Kingery, Bob & Marty Montgomery, Sally Plummer, Bob Rozinski, Bob Sabine, Fran Siefert, Chris, Janet & Russell Wond. (Cloudy AM, sunny PM). 20 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (77 species, 1995 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 10, Sunday. (BAR)  
Barr Lake State Park. Leader: Dick Schottler. Observers: Warren Finch, Dick Pratt. (Cloudy to partly cloudy; Wind, 0-20 MPH; 45-60F). 7 miles by car, 9 miles on foot. 10 hours birding. (74 species, 4546 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 10, Sunday. (PER)  
Barr Lake Periphery. Leader: Walt Bull. Observers: Jenny & Tanya Weir. (Fog, drizzle, partly cloudy; Wind, NE 0-5 MPH; 50-66F). 8.75 hours birding. (68 species, 3453 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 10, Sunday. (CAS)

Castlewood Canyon State Park. Observer: Randy Lentz. (Partly sunny AM, showers PM; Wind, S to W 0-15 MPH; 40-65F). 11 hours birding. (57 species, 621 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 16, Saturday. (RIG)  
Hudson to Rigli Ranch and surroundings via Prospect Reservoir. Leader: Joe Rigli. Observers: Ruth Breckon, Phil Hayes, Mary Jane Schock, Robert Spencer, Amy Young. (Sunny; Wind, WNW 0-10 MPH; 50-80F). 105 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 8.5 hours birding. (73 species, 1368 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 17, Sunday. (WGB)  
Wheat Ridge Greenbelt. Leader: Mort Staatz. Observers: Virginia Bleck, Mary Dexter, Tom & Virginia Faxon, Pearl Jordan, Randy Lentz, Fern Maher, Diana Mullineaux, Alberta Nelson, Joe Roller, Chuck Romeo, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Anne Southcott, Claude Vallieres, Virgil Williams. (Partly cloudy; 58-81F). 0 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (40 species, 495 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 23, Saturday. (ARB)  
Chatfield Arboretum. Leader: Bobbie Ausfahl. Observers: Mary Lou & Jim Arthur, George Collins, Hilda & Kathy Eichenberger, Arlene Raskin, Virgil Williams. (Sunny; Calm; about 70F). .75 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 4 hours birding. (26 species, 131 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 24, Sunday. (BDR)  
Boulder Creek. Leader: Norm Erthal. Observers: Jessie & Walt Bowles, Warren Finch, Irv Jackson, Mort Staatz. (Clear; Wind, W 5-10 MPH; 45-80F). 10 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 4 hours birding. (46 species, 975 individuals).

SEPTEMBER 30, Saturday. (PSC)  
Sedalia, Plum Creek, & Castlewood Canyon State Park. Leader: Ed Holub. Observers: Ruth Breckon, Scott Fitzmorris, Glenn & Jeane Hageman, Hazel Kellogg, Don & Jo Shrode, Ruth Wheeler. (Sunny; Wind, S 10 MPH; 53-89F). 80 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 8.25 hours birding. (38 species, 288 individuals).

#### TUESDAY BIRDERS TRIPS

(Reported by Monna Krebs)

Sep. 5. Chatfield SRA. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 36 observers. (48 species, 769 individuals).



Sep. 12. Trip postponed.

Sep. 19. Wheat Ridge Greenbelt. Leader: Else Van Erp. 34 observers. (28 species, 493 individuals).

Sep. 26. Red Rocks & Morrison Parks. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 40 observers. (24 species, 162 individuals).

### SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

A total of 172 species were observed on the 7 regularly scheduled DFO field trips in September. The 8 trips of the Annual Fall Count also reported 172 species (not counting "Empidonax" sp.). On both the regular trips and the fall count, a total of 217 species were reported. An additional 19 species were reported as "additional reports". 15 more species not included above were recorded on the Colorado Bird Report. The Tuesday Birders saw one species not included in any of the above. That makes 252 species seen in Colorado in September that are recorded in this issue of the *Lark Bunting*.

The most noteworthy thing about the WRP trip was the 7.7 miles covered on foot (they apparently got off on the wrong trail). They did see a Lewis' Woodpecker and a large number of Pine Siskin.

As usual, the SEC Labor Day weekend trip to southeastern Colorado reported many species not seen on other September DFO trips. There were 30 such species this year including Lesser Prairie Chicken, Snowy Plover, Red Knot, Little Gull, Rufous-crowned Sparrow, and, most notably, Cerulean Warbler. The 156 species reported on the trip may be a record for a 3-day DFO excursion. We'll try to check it out.

The 8 trips of the Annual Fall Count recorded 173 species, an all-time high in the 19 years of the event. New records were set for three count areas: Chatfield SRA, Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, and Waterton. The old record for Castlewood Canyon State Park was tied this year. Rocky Mountain Arsenal was included in the count for the first time this year. That addition meant that one more area was counted this year than last when the old record of 163 species was set. (For an historical perspective of the Annual Fall Count see the Oct. 1988 issue of the *Lark Bunting*, Vol. 24, No. 1, pages 14-15).

Among the more unusual sightings made during the fall count were Mississippi Kite and Broad-winged Hawk at BAR, Cassin's Kingbird and Yellow-throated Vireo at CHT, and Hooded Warbler at WAT. Some other good birds seen on the count were 31 early Ring-necked Duck and 9 Red Crossbill at LBC, a Northern Mockingbird at RMA, a Red-naped Sapsucker and all three bluebird species at CAS, while BAR recorded an early Horned Grebe, a Merlin, and an Ovenbird.

Among the 73 species seen on the RIG trip was a beautiful "Krider's" Red-tailed Hawk and a Barn Owl. Also sighted was a Lewis' Woodpecker which is unusual for the area.

The 17 participants on the half-day WGB trip enjoyed pleasant weather and saw 43 fall warblers of three species.

The half-day ARB trip participants saw only 26 species but these included a Prairie Falcon and a Red-naped Sapsucker.

The BDR trip came up with species not seen on any other trip of the month: Great Egret, Hooded Merganser, Clark's Nutcracker, and Nashville Warbler. They spotted 25 Orange-crowned Warbler.

Ed Holub, leader of the PSC trip, noted that the seed and nut crop was very poor in the area and that they saw low numbers of birds as a consequence. They did, however, see a Red-naped Sapsucker, 20 Mountain Bluebird, a Northern Mockingbird and 35 other species.

Much of the above might make it seem that this September was a good one for birds. However, it is the impression of many local observers that the numbers of birds are down. This seems to be particularly true of migrant shorebirds and fall warblers. The decrease in numbers, if real, may have more to do with destruction of rain forests and damage to the Arctic environment than to poor local seed crops.

ABBREVIATIONS used in following table:  
P=Plains; F=Foothills; M=Mountains;  
a=adult; i=immature; f=female; H=Heard.

| SEPTEMBER 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 2<br>WRP<br>M | 2-4<br>SEC<br>P | ANNUAL FALL COUNT |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      | Fall<br>Count<br>Total | 16<br>RIG<br>P | 17<br>WGB<br>P | 23<br>ARB<br>P | 24<br>BDR<br>PF | 30<br>PSC<br>PF | 5<br>Tue.<br>P | 19<br>P | 26<br>F |
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|                                                      |               |                 | 9<br>LBC<br>P     | 9<br>CHT<br>P | 9<br>WAT<br>F | 10<br>CCR<br>P | 10<br>RMA<br>P | 10<br>BAR<br>P | 10<br>PER<br>P | 10<br>CAS<br>F |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Pied-billed Grebe                                    |               | 4               | 11                | 11            | 18            | 6              | 23             |                |                | 17             |      | 86                     | 1              | 22             |                | 10              | 1               | 1              | 17      |         |
| Horned Grebe                                         |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              |      | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Eared Grebe                                          |               | 3               | 1                 | 1             | 3             | 38             |                |                |                |                |      | 43                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Western Grebe                                        |               | 10              |                   | 10            |               | 68             |                |                | 20             | 40             |      | 138                    | 6              |                |                | 20              |                 | 1              |         |         |
| Clark's Grebe                                        |               | 35              |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                |      | 1                      | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| American White Pelican                               |               | 400             |                   |               |               | 1              | 1              | 120            | 35             |                | 157  | 15                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Double-crested Cormorant                             |               | 100             | 2                 | 130           | 2             | 110            | 6              | 5              | 3              |                | 258  | 25                     | 2              |                |                |                 | 39              |                |         |         |
| Great Blue Heron                                     |               | 20              | 5                 | 14            | 1             | 5              | 6              | 3              | 13             | 1              | 48   | 11                     | 1              |                |                | 1               | 9               | 1              |         |         |
| Great Egret                                          |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                | 1               |                 |                |         |         |
| Snowy Egret                                          |               | 5               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                            |               | 14              | 2                 | 3             |               | 10             |                |                |                | 2              | 17   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| White-faced Ibis                                     |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Canada Goose                                         |               |                 | 26                | 28            | 24            |                | 76             | 550            | 412            |                | 1116 | 1                      | 110            | 20             | 50             | 20              | 172             | 167            |         |         |
| Wood Duck                                            |               | 1f              | 3                 | 5             | 8             |                |                |                |                |                | 16   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Green-winged Teal                                    |               | 30              | 1                 | 11            | 31            | 53             |                | 95             | 7              |                | 198  | 26                     |                |                | 50             |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Mallard                                              |               | 500             | 184               | 18            | 61            | 63             | 60             | 1000           | 736            |                | 2122 | 62                     | 95             | 2              | 200            | 4               | 9               | 123            |         |         |
| Northern Pintail                                     |               | 5               |                   |               |               | 2              |                | 8              |                |                | 10   | 62                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Blue-winged Teal                                     |               | 20              | 4                 |               |               | 74             | 1              |                | 8              |                | 87   | 75                     |                |                |                |                 | 23              |                |         |         |
| Cinnamon Teal                                        |               |                 |                   |               |               | 1              |                |                |                |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| "Blue-winged" Teal sp.                               |               |                 |                   | 50            | 5             |                | 50             | 18             |                |                | 123  |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Northern Shoveler                                    |               | 4               | 10                | 2             | 23            | 16             | 43             | 170            | 18             |                | 282  | 24                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Gadwall                                              |               |                 | 5                 | 4             | 20            |                | 5              |                | 3              |                | 37   | 6                      | 16             |                | 25             |                 |                 | 10             |         |         |
| American Wigeon                                      |               | 5               | 171               | 1             | 50            | 1              | 500            | 26             | 17             |                | 766  | 40                     | 17             |                | 25             |                 | 1               | 15             |         |         |
| Canvasback                                           |               |                 |                   |               |               |                | 1              |                |                |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Redhead                                              |               | 20              | 198               |               | 20            |                | 2              |                |                |                | 220  | 2                      |                |                | 5              |                 |                 | 1              |         |         |
| Ring-necked Duck                                     |               |                 | 31                |               |               |                |                |                |                |                | 31   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Lesser Scaup                                         |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      | 2                      | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Hooded Merganser                                     |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                | 2              |                 | 10              |                |         |         |
| Common Merganser                                     |               |                 | 6                 | 21            | 1             |                |                |                | 1              |                | 29   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Ruddy Duck                                           |               | 16              |                   |               | 30            | 45             | 2              | 44             | 37             |                | 158  | 200                    |                |                | 20             |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Turkey Vulture                                       | 3             | 40              | 1                 | 1             |               | 7              | 6              |                |                |                | 41   |                        | 1              | 3              | 1              | 3               |                 |                |         | 13      |
| Osprey                                               |               | 1               |                   | 2             | 1             | 1              |                | 1              |                |                | 5    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Mississippi Kite                                     |               | 6               |                   |               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Northern Harrier                                     |               | 15              | 1                 |               | 1             |                | 3              | 1              | 4              | 2              | 12   | 4                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                                   |               |                 |                   | 1             | 2             | 1              | 4              |                |                | 1              | 9    | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         | 1       |
| Cooper's Hawk                                        |               | 2               |                   | 2             |               | 1              | 3              |                |                |                | 6    |                        |                |                |                |                 | 1               |                |         |         |
| Broad-winged Hawk                                    |               |                 |                   |               | 1             |                |                |                |                |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Swainson's Hawk                                      |               | 35              | 3                 | 1             | 1             | 1              | 2              | 2              | 10             |                | 20   | 6                      | 1              | 1              |                |                 |                 | 1              |         |         |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                      | 2             | 3               | 2                 | 3             | 10            | 3              | 11             | 1              | 3              | 3              | 36   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         | 1       |
| western races                                        |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| "Krider's" race                                      |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                     |               | 2               |                   | 1             | 1             | 1              | 8              |                | 3              |                | 14   |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| "Buteo" sp.                                          |               |                 |                   |               | 1             |                | 4              |                |                |                | 5    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Golden Eagle                                         |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                | 1               |                 |                |         | 2       |
| American Kestrel                                     | 8             | 10              | 7                 | 4             | 12            | 1              | 8              | 4              | 16             | 3              | 55   | 6                      |                | 2              | 2              |                 | 2               |                |         | 1       |
| Merlin                                               |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Peregrine Falcon                                     |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Prairie Falcon                                       |               | 1               | 1                 |               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                | 2    | 1                      |                | 1              |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| "Falco" sp.                                          |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                | 1              |                | 1    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                                 |               | 10a20i          |                   |               |               | 2              | 1              |                | 1              |                | 4    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Lesser Prairie Chicken                               |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Wild Turkey                                          |               | 12              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Northern Bobwhite                                    |               | 4               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Scaled Quail                                         |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |      |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |
| Virginia Rail                                        |               | 4H              |                   |               | 1             | 3              |                |                | 1              |                | 5    |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                |         |         |

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| Sora                                                 |               | 1H              |                   |               |               | 2              |                |                |                |                | 2                      |     | 1              | 1H             |                |                 |                 | 1                                        | 1  |   |
| American Coot                                        |               | 100             | 302               | 1             | 226           | 450            | 378            | 180            | 416            |                | 1953                   |     |                |                | 20             |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Black-bellied Plover                                 |               |                 |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Snowy Plover                                         |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Semipalmated Plover                                  |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Killdeer                                             |               | 30              | 2                 | 5             |               | 18             | 6              | 14             | 31             |                | 76                     | 61  |                |                |                |                 | 1               | 30                                       |    |   |
| Black-necked Stilt                                   |               | 5               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| American Avocet                                      |               | 15              |                   | 2             |               |                |                | 2              | 1              |                | 5                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Greater Yellowlegs                                   |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                | 15             |                | 15                     |     |                |                |                | 1               |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Lesser Yellowlegs                                    |               | 50              |                   | 18            |               | 10             |                | 4              | 29             |                | 61                     | 39  |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Solitary Sandpiper                                   |               | 7               |                   | 2             |               | 1              | 1              |                | 1              | 1              | 6                      | 7   |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1                                        |    |   |
| Willet                                               |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                | 2              |                | 2                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Spotted Sandpiper                                    |               | 5               | 1                 | 4             | 1             | 4              | 3              |                |                | 1              | 14                     | 1   | 2              |                |                |                 |                 | 2                                        |    |   |
| Upland Sandpiper                                     |               | 1H              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Marbled Godwit                                       |               |                 |                   |               |               | 1              |                |                |                |                | 1                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Red Knot                                             |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Sanderling                                           |               | 6               |                   |               |               |                |                | 6              |                |                | 6                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper                               |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                | 8              |                |                | 8                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Western Sandpiper                                    |               | 20              |                   | 3             |               |                |                | 20             |                |                | 23                     | 23  |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Least Sandpiper                                      |               | 1               |                   | 2             |               | 20             |                | 50             |                |                | 72                     | 1   |                |                |                |                 |                 | 6                                        |    |   |
| Baird's Sandpiper                                    |               | 80              |                   | 7             |               | 6              |                | 600            |                |                | 613                    |     |                |                |                |                 |                 | 8                                        |    |   |
| Pectoral Sandpiper                                   |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Stilt Sandpiper                                      |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                | 250            |                |                | 250                    | 21  |                |                |                |                 |                 | 2                                        |    |   |
| Long-billed Dowitcher                                |               | 10              |                   |               |               |                |                |                | 47             |                | 47                     | 6   |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Common Snipe                                         |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                | 3              |                | 3                      |     |                |                | 1              |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Wilson's Phalarope                                   |               | 250             |                   |               | 1             |                |                |                | 3              |                | 4                      | 37  |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Red-necked Phalarope                                 |               | 8               |                   |               | 1             |                |                | 7              |                |                | 8                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Franklin's Gull                                      |               | 900             |                   |               |               | 13             |                | 4              |                |                | 17                     |     |                |                |                | 200             |                 | 1                                        |    |   |
| Little Gull                                          |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Ring-billed Gull                                     |               | 40              | 6                 | 35            |               | 51             |                | 350            | 318            |                | 760                    | 1   | 20             |                | 100            | 1               |                 | 195                                      | 43 |   |
| California Gull                                      |               |                 | 3                 | 6             |               | 29             |                | 135            |                |                | 173                    | 3   |                |                | 20             |                 |                 | 19                                       |    |   |
| Gull species                                         |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                | 1                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Common Tern                                          |               |                 |                   | 1             |               | 7              |                |                |                |                | 8                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Forster's Tern                                       |               | 12              | 2                 | 1             |               | 3              |                |                | 1              |                | 7                      |     |                |                | 1              |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Black Tern                                           |               | 10              |                   | 35            |               | 23             | 4              |                | 30             |                | 92                     | 50  |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Rock Dove                                            |               | 150             | 92                | 65            | 4             | 13             | 4              | 10             | 30             |                | 218                    |     | 5              |                |                | 2               |                 | 5                                        | 8  | 2 |
| Mourning Dove                                        | 2             | 150             | 12                | 157           | 311           | 24             | 71             | 82             | 165            | 7              | 829                    | 146 | 3              | 11             |                | 6               |                 | 12                                       | 1  |   |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo                                 |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Greater Roadrunner                                   |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Barn Owl                                             |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        | 1   |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Eastern Screech-Owl                                  |               |                 |                   | 1             |               |                | 2              |                |                |                | 3                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Western Screech-Owl                                  |               | 4               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Great Horned Owl                                     |               | 2               |                   | 4             | 1             | 1              | 1              | 2              | 1              | 2              | 12                     | 2   |                | 1f1i           |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Burrowing Owl                                        |               | 7               |                   | 1             |               |                | 3              |                | 1              |                | 5                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 | 3                                        |    |   |
| Common Nighthawk                                     |               | 5               |                   | 1             |               | 3              | 7              | 2              |                | 1              | 14                     |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Common Poorwill                                      |               | 1H              |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Chimney Swift                                        |               | 18              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| White-throated Swift                                 |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Black-chinned Hummingbird                            |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Broad-tailed Hummingbird                             | 1             | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Belted Kingfisher                                    |               | 2               | 8                 | 7             | 5             | 3              | 3              | 2              | 2              |                | 30                     | 1   | 2              |                |                | 1               |                 |                                          | 1  |   |
| Lewis' Woodpecker                                    | 4             | 30              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        | 1i  |                |                |                | 1               |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Red-headed Woodpecker                                |               | 4               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |
| Red-naped Sapsucker                                  |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                | 2              |                 | 1               |                                          |    |   |
| Ladder-backed Woodpecker                             |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |    |   |



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|                                                      |               |                 | 9<br>LBC<br>P     | 9<br>CHT<br>P | 9<br>WAT<br>F | 10<br>CCR<br>P | 10<br>RMA<br>P | 10<br>BAR<br>P | 10<br>PER<br>P | 10<br>CAS<br>F | Fall<br>Count<br>Total | Tue. Birders |                |                |                |                 |                 | P           | P  | F  |
| Downy Woodpecker                                     |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              | 1              | 1              | 2              |                 | 1               |             |    |    |
| "Batchelder's" race                                  |               |                 | 1                 | 1             | 5             | 3              |                | 8              |                | 3              | 21                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| eastern races                                        |               |                 |                   | 6             |               |                | 4              |                |                |                | 10                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Hairy Woodpecker                                     |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| "Rocky Mountain" race                                |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                | 1              |                | 3              | 4                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| eastern races                                        |               |                 |                   |               |               |                | 1              |                |                |                | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Northern Flicker                                     | 2             |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                | 15             |                | 5               |                 |             |    |    |
| "Red-shafted" race                                   |               | 4               | 42                | 11            | 9             | 8              | 4              | 6              | 4              | 12             | 96                     | 2            |                |                | 2              |                 | 2               | 3           | 11 | 4  |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher                               |               | 1               |                   | 2             | 7             |                |                |                | 1              |                | 10                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1           |    |    |
| Western Wood-Pewee                                   | 4             | 8               | 11                | 74            | 26            | 7              | 1              | 7              |                | 6              | 132                    | 5            | 1              |                |                |                 |                 | 1           |    |    |
| Willow Flycatcher                                    |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Least Flycatcher                                     |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Dusky Flycatcher                                     |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| "Empidonax" sp.                                      |               |                 |                   |               | 1             |                | 3              | 1              |                |                | 5                      |              |                |                |                | 1               |                 |             |    |    |
| Eastern Phoebe                                       |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Say's Phoebe                                         |               | 1               |                   | 1             | 1             | 3              | 1              |                | 1              |                | 7                      | 1            |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Great-crested Flycatcher                             |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Cassin's Kingbird                                    |               | 2               |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Western Kingbird                                     |               | 50              | 2                 | 16            | 25            | 15             | 87             | 3              | 17             |                | 165                    | 6            |                |                |                |                 |                 | 2           |    |    |
| Eastern Kingbird                                     |               | 7               |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                | 3              |                | 4                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1           |    |    |
| Horned Lark                                          |               | 60              |                   | 3             |               | 2              | 1              |                | 3              |                | 9                      | 31           |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Tree Swallow                                         |               |                 |                   | 300           | 43            | 1              |                |                | 11             |                | 355                    |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Violet-green Swallow                                 |               |                 | 1                 | 700           | 42            |                |                |                |                |                | 743                    |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| No. Rough-winged Swallow                             |               |                 |                   |               |               |                | 2              |                |                |                | 2                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Bank Swallow                                         |               | 3               |                   | 12            |               | 1              | 2              |                |                |                | 15                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Cliff Swallow                                        |               | 4               |                   | 6             | 2             |                | 10             |                |                |                | 18                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 | 6           |    |    |
| Barn Swallow                                         | 6             | 20              | 242               | 1000          | 379           | 40             | 155            | 350            | 153            |                | 2319                   | 18           | 6              |                |                |                 |                 | 17          | 2  |    |
| Steller's Jay                                        | 8             |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 19             | 19                     |              |                |                |                | 10              | 12              |             |    | 2  |
| Blue Jay                                             |               | 5               | 16                |               |               |                | 8              |                |                | 2              | 26                     |              | 6              | 16             |                | 5               | 1               |             | 5  |    |
| Scrub Jay                                            |               | 12              |                   | 1             | 3             |                |                |                |                | 31             | 35                     |              |                |                |                | 1               | 14              |             |    | 7  |
| Pinyon Jay                                           |               | 60              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 52             | 52                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Clark's Nutcracker                                   |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                | 1               |                 |             |    |    |
| Black-billed Magpie                                  | 3             | 15              | 67                | 43            | 13            | 55             | 41             | 52             | 27             | 4              | 302                    |              | 22             | 8              | 10             | 15              |                 | 18          | 18 | 11 |
| American Crow                                        | 1             | 10              | 4                 |               | 2             |                |                |                |                | 4              | 10                     |              |                |                | 4              | 5               | 1               |             |    |    |
| Common Raven                                         |               | 1               |                   |               | 4             |                |                |                |                | 2              | 6                      |              |                |                | 2              | 2               |                 |             |    | 5  |
| Black-capped Chickadee                               | 10            |                 | 43                | 59            | 17            | 14             | 9              | 31             | 3              | 17             | 193                    |              | 20             | 11             | 10             | 45              |                 | 6           | 12 | 8  |
| Mountain Chickadee                                   | 3             |                 | 4                 |               |               |                |                |                |                | 21             | 25                     |              |                |                |                | 4               | 2               |             |    |    |
| Plain Titmouse                                       |               | 2               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Bushtit                                              |               | 10              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch                                | 1             | 1H              | 2                 |               |               | 1              | 4              |                | 1              |                | 8                      | 2            |                |                |                | 6               |                 |             |    |    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch                              | 1             | 1               |                   | 1             |               |                |                |                |                | 7              | 8                      |              |                |                |                |                 | 3               |             |    | 1  |
| Brown Creeper                                        |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      |              |                |                |                | 2               |                 |             |    |    |
| Rock Wren                                            |               | 2               |                   |               |               | 1              |                |                |                | 7              | 8                      | 2            |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1           |    |    |
| Canyon Wren                                          |               | 8               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    | 1  |
| Bewick's Wren                                        |               | 6               |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                        |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| House Wren                                           |               | 1               |                   | 4             | 7             | 2              | 2              | 8              | 1              | 17             | 41                     |              | 1              |                |                |                 |                 | 2           |    |    |
| Marsh Wren                                           |               | 3               |                   |               |               |                | 1              |                |                |                | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| American Dipper                                      |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                                 |               | 1               |                   | 2             |               |                |                | 1              |                |                | 3                      | 2            | 1              |                |                | 1               |                 |             |    |    |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher                                |               | 1H              |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 3              | 3                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Eastern Bluebird                                     |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Western Bluebird                                     | 5             |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 12             | 12                     |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |
| Mountain Bluebird                                    |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 21             | 21                     |              |                |                |                |                 | 20              |             |    |    |
| Townsend's Solitaire                                 |               |                 |                   |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1                      | 1            |                |                |                |                 |                 |             | 1  | 8  |
| Swainson's Thrush                                    |               | 1               |                   |               |               |                |                | 2              |                |                | 2                      |              |                |                |                |                 |                 |             |    |    |

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------|----------------|----|--|
|                                                      |               |                 | 9<br>LBC<br>P | 9<br>CHT<br>P | 9<br>WAT<br>F | 10<br>CCR<br>P | 10<br>RMA<br>P | 10<br>BAR<br>P | 10<br>PER<br>P | 10<br>CAS<br>F | 10<br>PER<br>P | 10<br>CAS<br>F |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 | 10<br>PER<br>P                           | 10<br>CAS<br>F |    |  |
| Hermit Thrush                                        |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                | 2              |                |                |                |                | 2                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| American Robin                                       | 25            | 15              | 12            | 9             | 1             | 3              |                |                |                |                | 7              | 19             | 51                     | 1              | 1              | 4              | 15              | 25              | 4                                        | 1              | 16 |  |
| Gray Catbird                                         |               |                 |               | 4             | 5             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 9                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Northern Mockingbird                                 |               | 2               |               |               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 | 1               |                                          |                |    |  |
| Sage Thrasher                                        |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                | 2              |                |                |                |                | 3                      | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Brown Thrasher                                       |               | 3               |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Cedar Waxwing                                        |               | 20              |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 10                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Loggerhead Shrike                                    |               | 12              |               |               |               |                |                | 4              |                |                |                |                | 4                      | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| European Starling                                    |               | 15              | 368           | 18            | 2             | 100            | 32             | 75             | 375            |                |                |                | 970                    | 58             | 18             | 15             | 20              | 33              | 85                                       | 17             | 12 |  |
| Solitary Vireo                                       |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| "Plumbeous" race                                     |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                |                |                | 1              |                | 8              | 10                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Warbling Vireo                                       |               |                 |               | 2             |               |                |                |                |                | 2              |                |                | 4                      |                | 1              |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Red-eyed Vireo                                       |               | 1               |               |               | 2             |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                | 3                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Yellow-throated Vireo                                |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Orange-crowned Warbler                               |               | 1               | 1             | 1             |               | 1              |                |                |                | 3              |                |                | 6                      |                |                |                | 25              |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Nashville Warbler                                    |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                | 1               |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Virginia's Warbler                                   |               |                 |               | 1             | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 2                      |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1                                        |                |    |  |
| Yellow Warbler                                       |               | 4               |               | 3             |               | 13             |                |                |                | 1              |                |                | 17                     |                |                |                |                 |                 | 1                                        |                |    |  |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                                |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                | 10             |                | 2               |                 | 1                                        | 8              |    |  |
| "Audubon's" race                                     | 1             |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1              | 2                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Townsend's Warbler                                   |               | 1               |               |               |               |                |                | 1              | 4              |                |                | 2              | 7                      |                | 4              |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Cerulean Warbler                                     |               | 1f              |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| American Redstart                                    |               | 3f              |               | 1             | 1             | 1              |                |                |                |                |                |                | 3                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Ovenbird                                             |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          | 1              |    |  |
| Northern Waterthrush                                 |               | 1               |               | 1             |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| MacGillivray's Warbler                               |               |                 |               | 1             |               | 1              | 1              | 2              |                |                |                |                | 5                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Common Yellowthroat                                  |               | 3               | 2             | 4             | 1             | 36             | 10             | 1              |                |                |                |                | 54                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Hooded Warbler                                       |               |                 |               |               | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Wilson's Warbler                                     |               | 10              |               | 10            | 12            | 19             | 29             | 50             | 13             | 24             | 157            | 19             | 19                     |                |                |                | 50              |                 | 1                                        |                |    |  |
| Yellow-breasted Chat                                 |               |                 |               | 3             | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 4                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Western Tanager                                      | 2             | 4f              | 2             | 4             | 1             |                | 2              |                |                |                |                |                | 9                      | 1              |                | 1f             | 2               |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Black-headed Grosbeak                                |               | 1a1i            | 2             | 1             | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 4                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Blue Grosbeak                                        |               | 5i              |               | 4             | 5             | 4              |                |                |                |                | 2              |                | 15                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Lazuli Bunting                                       |               | 2i              |               | 2             | 6             | 6              |                |                |                |                |                |                | 14                     |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Indigo Bunting                                       |               |                 |               |               |               | 1              |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Green-tailed Towhee                                  |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                | 1              | 2              |                |                | 10             |                | 14                     | 1              |                |                |                 |                 |                                          | 3              |    |  |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                                  |               | 2               |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                | 1              | 1              | 2               |                 | 1                                        | 7              |    |  |
| "Spotted" races                                      |               |                 |               | 14            | 37            |                | 1              |                |                |                | 15             |                | 67                     |                |                |                |                 | 4               |                                          |                |    |  |
| Canyon Towhee                                        |               | 5               |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Rufous-crowned Sparrow                               |               | 6               |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Chipping Sparrow                                     |               | 5               |               | 4             | 2             | 17             | 150            | 50             | 27             | 13             | 263            |                |                        |                |                | 4              |                 | 2               |                                          |                |    |  |
| Clay-colored Sparrow                                 |               | 4               |               | 6             | 5             | 23             | 3              | 5              |                | 2              | 44             |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Brewer's Sparrow                                     |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                | 4              |                | 8              | 13             | 7              |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Vesper Sparrow                                       |               |                 |               |               | 55            |                | 22             | 1              | 2              | 33             | 113            | 7              |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                | 1  |  |
| Lark Sparrow                                         | 2             | 8               |               |               |               | 4              | 2              |                | 20             |                | 26             |                |                        |                |                |                |                 | 11              |                                          |                |    |  |
| Lark Bunting                                         |               | 250             |               |               |               | 4              | 12             |                | 22             |                | 38             |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Savannah Sparrow                                     |               | 3               | 2             | 4             | 2             | 18             |                |                |                |                | 26             | 1              |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 | 2                                        |                |    |  |
| Grasshopper Sparrow                                  |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 1              |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Song Sparrow                                         |               | 1               | 1             | 7             | 6             | 23             | 7              | 1              | 1              | 5              | 51             |                |                        | 3              |                |                |                 | 6               |                                          |                |    |  |
| Lincoln's Sparrow                                    |               |                 |               | 1             |               | 3              |                | 3              |                | 2              | 9              | 3              |                        | 1              |                |                | 1               |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| White-crowned Sparrow                                |               |                 |               | 1             |               |                |                |                |                | 1              | 2              | 7              |                        | 9              |                |                | 1               | 2               |                                          | 10             | 2  |  |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                      |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                | 1              |                | 1                      |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| "Gray-headed" race                                   |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        |                |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                | 3  |  |
| McCown's Longspur                                    |               |                 |               |               |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                        | 10             |                |                |                 |                 |                                          |                |    |  |
| Red-winged Blackbird                                 |               | 60              | 140           | 42            | 2             | 24             | 5              |                | 48             |                | 261            | 60             | 7                      | 1              |                |                | 7               |                 | 4                                        |                |    |  |

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|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|------|
|                                                      | 2<br>WRP          | 2-4<br>SEC | 9<br>LBC | 9<br>CHT | 9<br>WAT | 10<br>CCR | 10<br>RMA | 10<br>BAR | 10<br>PER | 10<br>CAS | Fall<br>Count | 16<br>RIG | 17<br>WGB | 23<br>ARB | 24<br>BDR | 30<br>PSC | Tue. Birders | Pi F |
| Western Meadowlark                                   | 2                 | 30         | 4        | 10       | 3        | 9         | 7         | 2         | 17        | 3         | 55            | 22        |           | 11        |           |           | 13           |      |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird                              |                   | 1          | 4        | 3        | 1        | 13        |           |           | 98        |           | 119           |           |           |           |           |           |              |      |
| Brewer's Blackbird                                   |                   | 20         |          | 100      |          | 26        |           |           |           |           | 126           | 2         | 6         |           |           |           |              |      |
| Common Grackle                                       |                   | 12         | 166      | 1        |          | 9         | 3         | 1         | 40        |           | 220           |           | 3         |           |           |           |              |      |
| Brown-headed Cowbird                                 |                   |            |          |          |          |           |           |           |           |           |               | 2         |           |           |           |           | 4            |      |
| Northern Oriole                                      |                   |            |          |          |          |           |           |           |           |           |               |           |           |           |           |           |              |      |
| "Baltimore" race                                     |                   | 1i         |          |          |          |           |           |           |           |           |               |           |           |           |           |           |              |      |
| "Bullock's" race                                     |                   | 6i         |          |          |          |           |           | 1         |           |           | 1             | 1f        |           |           |           |           |              |      |
| House Finch                                          | 12                |            | 179      | 1        | 8        | 37        | 40        |           | 22        | 15        | 302           |           | 25        | 3         | 10        | 21        | 12           | 12   |
| Red Crossbill                                        |                   |            | 9        |          |          |           |           |           |           |           | 9             |           |           |           |           |           |              | 16   |
| Pine Siskin                                          | 78                | 1          |          |          | 24       | 1         |           |           |           | 45        | 70            |           |           |           |           | 5         | 1            |      |
| Lesser Goldfinch                                     | 2                 | 5a10i      |          | 1        | 17       |           |           |           |           | 41        | 59            |           |           |           |           |           |              |      |
| American Goldfinch                                   |                   | 4i         |          | 38       | 22       | 49        | 11        | 1         |           | 50        | 171           | 3         | 15        |           |           | 4         | 32           |      |
| Evening Grosbeak                                     |                   | 5          | 4        |          |          |           |           |           |           |           | 4             |           |           |           | 20        |           |              |      |
| House Sparrow                                        | 3                 | 20         | 45       |          |          | 2         |           | 65        | 50        |           | 162           | 108       |           |           | 10        | 5         |              |      |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 218                                  | 26                | 156        | 59       | 105      | 76       | 86        | 77        | 74        | 68        | 57        | 173           | 73        | 40        | 26        | 46        | 38        | 48           | 28   |
| TOTAL INDIVIDUALS                                    | 191               | 4193       | 2479     | 3237     | 1688     | 1796      | 1995      | 4546      | 3453      | 621       | 19815         | 1368      | 495       | 131       | 975       | 288       | 769          | 493  |

#### ADDITIONAL SEPTEMBER 1989 REPORTS

Little Blue Heron 9-15 (1i) Union Reservoir, Weld Co. (BA)  
 Green-backed Heron 9-21 (1) Pond by I-76 near Commerce City, Adams Co. (JT)  
 Wood Duck 9-26 (7m,9f) Pond on CO-52 just west of Boulder Creek, Boulder Co. (AH)  
 Northern Goshawk 9-2 (1) Silverthorne, Summit Co. (HK)  
 Merlin 9-28 (1) South Platte River at Florida Ave., Denver, Denver Co. (HK)  
 Blue Grouse 9-17 (1) Near Critchell, Jefferson Co. (AH)  
 Black-bellied Plover 9-25 (1) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (SS)  
 Lesser Golden Plover 9-15 (1) Jackson Reservoir, Morgan Co. (BA)  
 Dunlin 9-15 (1) Jackson Reservoir (BA)  
 Herring Gull 9-30 (2) Chatfield SRA, Douglas Co. (HK)  
 Sabine's Gull 9-24 (1im) Walden Ponds, Boulder Co. (JT)  
 Caspian Tern 9-1 (2) Reservoir at 120th Ave. & Washington St., Adams Co. (JT)  
 Scissor-tailed Flycatcher 9-13 (1) Anton, Washington Co. (HK)  
 Pinyon Jay 9-4, 9-16, 9-24 (30) Hack Ranch in South Park, Park Co. (CH,FH,KH);  
 9-25 (25) Golden Gate State Park, Gilpin Co. (BA)  
 Golden-crowned Kinglet 9-27 (22) Mount Evans Wilderness, Park Co. (HK)  
 Wood Thrush 9-30 (1) Barr Lake State Park, Adams Co. (MC,SS) Caught in mist net.  
 Hermit Thrush 9-27 (5) Mount Evans Wilderness (HK)  
 Sprague's Pipit 9-30 (1) 7 mi. E of Julesburg on Road 30, Sedgwick Co. (DB)\*  
 Nashville Warbler 9-30 (1) Barr Lake State Park (RS,WF)  
 Magnolia Warbler 9-27 (1i) Barr Lake State Park (DB)  
 Blackpoll Warbler 9-9 (1) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt, Jefferson Co. (BR)  
 Ovenbird 9-2 (2) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (SS); 9-9 & 9-16 (1) Wheat Ridge  
 Greenbelt (BR) (SS); 9-23 (1) 1 mi. N of Bennett on Kiowa Creek, Adams Co. (DB)  
 Baird's Sparrow 9-21 (1) Field near 112th Ave. & Holly St., Adams Co. (JT)  
 Swamp Sparrow 9-23 (1a) .5 mi. N of Bennett on Kiowa Creek (DB); 9-30 Red Lion  
 SWA, Logan Co. (DB)  
 Pine Grosbeak 9-27 (22) Mount Evans Wilderness (HK)  
 \* Rare Bird Report submitted

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#### SOME NEW POLICIES REGARDING ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Beginning with October reports, all detailed accounts of any of the very rare or accidental species shown on page 193 of the August 1989 *Lark Bunting* will be forwarded to the Records Committee of the Colorado Field Ornithologists. The reports must be on the form in the above-mentioned issue of the *Lark Bunting*, or the C.F.O. Rare-bird report form, or the Colorado Bird Atlas verification form, or on a reasonable facsimile of one of those.

All reports will be labeled with an N, an S, or an F. The N will signify that no details accompanied the report (not necessary with many sightings). The S will signify that some written details were given (advisable with unusual sightings). The F will signify that one of the rare-bird report forms mentioned above was submitted (necessary for very rare or accidental species).

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#### SEPTEMBER RECORD OF THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT (423-5582)

David Martin informs us that 116 reports and 28 updates of 35 species were phoned in to the Colorado Bird Report in September. Fifteen of the species reported were not seen on any field trip or reported to the *Lark Bunting* editor as "additional reports". These include Trumpeter Swan, Ruddy Turnstone, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, Short-billed Dowitcher, Red Phalarope, Pomerine Jaeger, Parasitic Jaeger, Northern Pygmy Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Three-toed Woodpecker, Gray-cheeked Thrush, Phainopepla, Chestnut-sided Warbler, Louisiana Waterthrush, and Scarlet Tanager. 2467 calls were made to the Bird Report for information.

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#### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT

Thanks to the Denver Audubon Society for its generous contribution to the Colorado Bird Report (423-5582).

#### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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#### NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### **Purchasing "Birder's Guide" Books**

Be sure to purchase your copies of the "Birder's Guide" series (Lane and Holt) at regular monthly meetings of the Denver Field Ornithologists. Forty percent of all sales made at DFO meetings are turned over to our treasury.

##### **Notification of Change of Address**

Please notify the Treasure of change in your address. DO NOT contact the editor!

##### **Failure to receive the *Lark Bunting***

For one-time failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*, contact the Editor (Tel. 232-7421), who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the *Lark Bunting* two months in a row, contact the Treasure in writing.

##### **Denver Audubon Society Moves**

The Denver Audubon Society has moved to 3000 So. Clayton St., Denver 80210. Their new phone number is 757-8376.

##### **Watch for banded Rosy Finches**

In cooperation with the Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory, more than 2000 Rosy Finches were banded at Gothic during the last two winters, and last summer individuals in breeding habitat were banded with colored bands at Indian Peaks (yellow), Mt. Evans (red), and Mt. Democrat (orange). Please report sightings of banded Rosy Finches to Norman French, P.O. Box 511, Ft. Collins 80522 (Tel. 303-747-2410) or to Susan Allen, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory, Crested Butte 81244 (Tel. 303-349-7231).

## NOVEMBER DFO FIELD TRIPS

10 Call the Colorado Bird Report at 423-5582 before going on a field trip to determine if there have been any cancellations or changes in schedules.

**NOV. 4, Saturday.** NORTHEAST COLORADO RAPTOR TRIP. Leader: Kathy Hawkins (757-0809). Meet at 7:00 AM at the Denver Museum of Natural History, east end of north parking lot. \*

**NOV. 5, Sunday.** SEDALIA, PLUM CREEK, and CASTLEWOOD CANYON STATE PARK. Leader: Ben Moore (989-0269). Meet at 7:30 AM in parking area south of Albertson's on the northwest corner of South Broadway and County Line Road. \*

**NOV. 11, Saturday.** SOUTH PLATTE RIVER PARK. Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Meet at 7:30 AM at Safeway parking lot, South Logan and East Hampden Ave. (US 285). \*

**NOV. 12, Sunday.** BARR LAKE STATE PARK. Leaders: Marilyn & Lee Rowe (659-8069). Meet at 8:00 AM at Nature Center at Barr Lake State Park. 1/2 day. Lunch optional.

**NOV. 18, Saturday.** CHERRY CREEK RESERVOIR SRA. Leader: Floyd Pendell (758-5530). Meet at 8:00 AM at the west entrance of Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA. 1/2 day. Lunch optional.

**NOV. 19, Sunday.** WHEAT RIDGE GREENBELT AND NEARBY LAKES. Leader: Diana Mullineaux (237-5794). Meet at 8:00 AM at Prospect Park Lake (on West 44th Ave. near Reed St.). 1/2 day. Lunch optional.

**NOV. 24, Friday.** TURKEY HUNT AFTER TURKEY DAY. Leader: Bob Spencer (279-4682). Contact leader if interested. 1/2 day. \*

**NOV. 25, Saturday.** LAKES AND GRAVEL PONDS NORTH OF DENVER. Leader: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 8:00 AM at parking lot at Sloan's Lake at West 25th Ave. and Sheridan Blvd. \*

**NOV. 26, Sunday.** CHATFIELD STATE RECREATION AREA. Leader: Mort Staatz (279-6169). Meet at 8:00 AM at Park & Ride on South Wadsworth Blvd. just south of Hampden Ave. (US 285). \*

\* Bring lunch.

**TUESDAY BIRDERS:** You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

## RECYCLING NEWS

It is now possible to recycle some 35 items and have the proceeds go to the Denver Audubon Society.

TRI-R SYSTEMS and the D.A.S. have teamed up in a program to increase recycling awareness and participation in the Denver metro area.

In addition to the ordinary recyclable items such as newspapers, aluminum cans, and plastic bottles, TRI-R will take aluminum storm doors and window frames, aluminum siding, copper wire & tubing, brass plumbing fixtures, stainless steel sinks and the like, computer printout paper, plastic milk cartons, catalytic converters, and many other such things.

If you want the money for your recycled material to be given to the Denver Audubon Society you can attach special "bird logo" tags to the items. The tags are available at TRI-R locations.

TRI-R centers in metro Denver are located at 3600 E. 48th Ave.; 4453 So. Santa Fe Dr.; 1445 So. Federal Blvd.; 4690 Pecos St.; 5095 Washington St.; Lakeside Mall, 44th Ave. & Harlan St.; 9491 W. 44th Ave.; and Cub Foods, So. Parker Rd. & Yale Ave.

For more information about this program contact John Wright of the D.A.S. (744-2153) or Jeffrey Stroh of TRI-R (399-6351).

## Some food for thought

According to *Webster's Third New International Dictionary*:

**ornithologist:** a specialist in ornithology (a branch of zoology that deals with birds)

**birder 1:** a catcher or hunter of birds; **esp:** a person who kills birds in quantity for market

**bird watcher:** an observer or identifier of wild birds in their natural surroundings

Where do you fit in?

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## DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - Membership Information

### WELCOME to the D.F.O.

**PURPOSE:** The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December), 7:30 P.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on the Colorado Bird Report 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.

**FIELD TRIPS:** These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.

**BULLETIN:** A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.

**D.F.O. COLORADO BIRD REPORT (303)423-5582**

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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Family Membership - \$10 (if paid after Oct. 1, valid for next year)

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen Membership (Age 65 or Older) - \$8

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Membership (Age 18 or younger) - \$5

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1990

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT COMPILATION DINNER AT WYATT'S CAFETERIA IN THE BEAR VALLEY SHOPPING CENTER ON DECEMBER 16 AT 5:00 PM

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### OCTOBER 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES

#### OCT. 1, Sunday. (CHT)

Chatfield SRA. Leader: Irv Jackson. Observers: Marilyn Clark, Bill Fink, Pearl Jordan, Joe & Norma Kamby, Joey Kellner, Randy Lentz, Dick Pratt, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Anne Southcott, Mort Staatz, Virgil Williams. (Clear; Wind, W 10-30 MPH; 60-80F). 5 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 5 hrs. birding. (40 species, 384 individuals).

#### OCT. 7, Saturday. (ROX)

Roxborough State Park & McLellan Reservoir. Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Marge Armitage, Ursula Barsch, Glenn Hageman, Cheryl Scott, Anne Southcott, Mort Staatz, Eleanor White, Ruth Wheeler, Virgil Williams, Amy Young. (Clear; Wind, NW 0-5 MPH; 50-70F). 20 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (34 species, 208 individuals).

- OCT. 8, Sunday. (WGB) Wheat Ridge Greenbelt. Leader: Patty Echelmeyer. Observers: Marilyn Clark, Terry Flageolle, Irv Jackson, Linda Metcalf, Jean Morgan, Diana & Don Mullineaux, Arlene & Jerry Raskin, Donna Sole, Anne Southcott, Helen & Art Wainwright, Carley Warren, Kay Wilcox. (Clear; Calm; 50-70F). 1/4 mile by car, 3 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (35 species, 583 individuals).
- OCT. 14, Saturday. (BDR) Boulder Area: Boulder Creek below C.U., Mesa Trail at Eldorado Springs, & Walden Ponds. Leader: Alex Cruz, Jr. Observers: Randy Lentz, Tim Schowalter, Larry Vinunt. (Clear; Calm; 60-80F). 24 miles by car, 2.5 miles on foot. 6 hours birding. (52 species, 768 individuals).
- OCT. 15, Sunday. (BAR) Barr Lake State Park. Leader: Joe TenBrink. Observers: Rick Austin, Winston W. Brockner, Joe & Norma Camby, Mary Dexter, Peggy Gonder, Alberta Nelson, Jean Morgan, Anne Southcott, Mort Staatz. (Wind, NW 10-35 MPH; 40-58F). 10 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 4.5 hours birding. (52 species, 1065 individuals).
- OCT. 18, Wednesday. (CCR) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA. Observer: Jack Reddall. (Overcast, fog, sleet AM; partly cloudy PM; Wind, NE 5-10 MPH; 29-40F). 26 miles by car, 5 miles on foot. 9 hours birding. (59 species, 1762 individuals).
- OCT. 21&22, Saturday & Sunday. (SWC) Southwestern Colorado: Denver to Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge returning via Lathrop State Park. Leader: Alan Hay. Observers: Gayle Barrett, Ruth Breckon, Min Canavan, Marilyn Clark, Albina & Alfred Clebsch, Warren Finch, Helen Gruss, Dee Hay, Joe Roller, Tim Schowalter, Anne Southcott, Norman & Virginia & Toni Torrey, Helen Tripp, Ruth Wheeler, Sylvia Wheelock, Amy Young. (Clear; Wind, 0-10 MPH; 25-73F). 522 miles by car, 3 miles on foot. 17 hours birding. (65 species, 9620 individuals).
- OCT. 22, Sunday. (BCK) Bear Creek - Plains to Foothills. Leader: Cal Wichern. Observers: Scott Fitzmorris, Hugh Ravatt, Chuck Romeo, Lee & Marilyn Rowe, Mort Staatz, Allaire Wallace, Virgil Williams. (Sunny; Wind, light; 42-70F). 25 miles by car, 4 miles on foot. 6.5 hours birding. (38 species, 322 individuals).
- OCT. 28, Saturday. (RMA) Rocky Mountain Arsenal. Leaders: Ed Holub, Pete Gober. Observers: Suzanne Burdick, Warren Finch, Bob Goycoolea, David & Martha Gulbenkian, Ira Sanders, Diane Tabor, Eleanor White. (Sunny; Wind, NW 2-5 MPH; 30-60F). 20 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 5.5 hours birding. (40 species, 712 individuals).
- OCT. 29, Sunday. (GLY) Lower Latham Reservoir & Greeley Area. Leader: Dick Pratt. Observers: Mort Staatz, Chris Wood. (Partly cloudy; Wind, N 45 MPH; 32-40F). 145 miles by car, 0 miles on foot. 7.5 hours birding. (42 species, 8417 individuals).

#### TUESDAY BIRDERS TRIPS

(Reported by Monna Krebs)

- Oct. 3. Golden Gate Canyon State Park. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 35 observers. (20 species, 152 individuals).
- Oct. 10. Meyers Ranch Park & Reynolds Park. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 37 observers. (13 species, 64 individuals).
- Oct. 17. Waterton Canyon. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 15 observers. (26 species, 179 individuals).
- Oct. 24. Mount Falcon. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 28 observers. (17 species, 81 individuals).
- Oct. 31. Chatfield Arboretum. Leader: Ann Bonnell. 32 observers. (22 species, 156 individuals).

## OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

A total of 107 species were observed on the 9 regularly scheduled DFO field trips in October. An additional 11 species were seen on the one independent trip reported in this issue. The Tuesday birders reported 11 more species making a total of 129 species shown on the following table. Another 36 species observed in Colorado in October are listed as "additional reports". Eight other species were reported to the Colorado Bird Report but not to the *Lark Bunting*.

The 14 observers on the trip to Chatfield SRA (CHT) at the beginning of the month endured a brisk breeze but came up with 3 species seen on no other trip. Undoubtedly the high point of the trip was the observation of 5 Osprey.

Those who went on the trip to McLellan Reservoir and Roxborough State Park (ROX) saw the only 2 Wood Duck seen on an October DFO trip and saw a single Sandhill Crane.

The Sunday trip to the Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (WGB) was attended by 17 participants who saw the only 2 Black-crowned Night-Heron and the only Eastern Screech Owl of the month. The latter was a life bird for at least one participant.

The Boulder (BDR) trip reported a Palm Warbler among the 4 species seen on no other trip. They also enjoyed observing a flock of about 50 Cedar Waxwing.

Wind hampered the observers of the Barr Lake (BAR) trip but they came up with 3 species not seen on other trips including a Swainson's Thrush and a Philadelphia Vireo which they saw banded.

The independent trip to Cherry Creek Reservoir (CCR) came up with 11 species not seen on other trips. Most noteworthy of these were an immature Mew Gull, an immature Sabine's Gull, and a Rusty Blackbird.

The weekend Crane trip to Monte Vista and Lathrop State Park (SWC) was not a disappointment as the 20 participants saw 6 Whooping Crane and 3600 Sandhill Crane. Altogether they saw 12 species not seen on any other trip. Of special interest among these was a Pacific Loon and 25 Great-tailed Grackle. Also seen was a Hermit Thrush, 12 Pinyon Jay, and 20 Bushtit.

On the same weekend as the crane trip was a local trip to Bear Creek (BCK). Those on that trip saw the only Hooded Merganser of the month.

The 10 people who rode the van through the Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA) saw 10 Red-tailed Hawk, an Osprey, and a Bald Eagle.

Only three hardy observers braved the cold and windy trip to Lower Latham Reservoir and the Greeley area (GLY). They saw the only 2 American Avocet of the month. What they saw is big numbers: 1373 Canada Goose, 4031 Mallard, and 2020 Red-winged Blackbird.

The Tuesday birders had 11 species not seen on other trips. Best of these were a Northern Goshawk and a Blue Grouse.

Most notable of the 36 otherwise unreported species listed under "additional reports" were Pomarine Jaeger, Sprague's Pipit (seen by many), Yellow-throated Warbler, Prothonotary Warbler, and Canada Warbler. Also notable were Red Phalarope, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Carolina Wren, and Baird's Sparrow.

Unfortunately we have no written reports on 8 additional species called in to the Colorado Bird Report. It would be 9 additional species if we counted the escaped Monk Parakeets.



# CORRECTION TO ANNUAL FALL COUNT REPORT IN OCTOBER ISSUE

The Editor apologizes for his careless computer data entry error which showed a Mississippi Kite rather than a Bald Eagle for Barr Lake State Park (BAR) on the Annual Fall Count. The error was compounded by highlighting the sighting of the kite.

ABBREVIATIONS used in following table: F=Foot hills; M=Mountains; P=Plains; V=high mountain Valleys; f=female; m=male; i=immature; H=Heard only.

| OCTOBER 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 1<br>CHT<br>P | 7<br>ROX<br>F | 8<br>WGB<br>P | 14<br>BDR<br>PF | 15<br>BAR<br>P | 18<br>CCR<br>P | 21&22<br>SWC<br>VMP | 22<br>BCK<br>PF | 28<br>RMA<br>P | 29<br>GLY<br>P | 3<br>M<br>M | 10<br>M<br>M | 17<br>F<br>F | 24<br>F<br>F | 31<br>P<br>P |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Pacific Loon                                       |               |               |               |                 |                |                | 1                   |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Common Loon                                        |               |               |               |                 |                | 2              |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Pied-billed Grebe                                  | 6             | 1             | 5             | 4               |                | 15             | 6                   | 2               | 14             | 2              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Horned Grebe                                       |               |               |               |                 |                | 10             | 16                  | 2               |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Eared Grebe                                        |               |               |               |                 |                | 100            |                     |                 |                | 1              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Western Grebe                                      |               |               |               |                 | 2              | 70             | 9                   |                 | 6              |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| American White Pelican                             |               |               |               |                 | 45             |                |                     |                 |                | 1              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Double-crested Cormorant                           | 75            |               | 2             | 11              | 15             | 130            | 2                   |                 |                | 3              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Great Blue Heron                                   | 5             | 1             |               | 1               |                |                | 2                   |                 | 3              | 4              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                          |               |               | 2             |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Canada Goose                                       | 79            | 10            | 125           | 50              | 280            | 75             | 146                 | 10              | 32             | 1373           |             |              |              |              |              |
| Wood Duck                                          |               | 2             |               |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              | 10           |              |              |
| Green-winged Teal                                  | 39            | 1             | 2             | 6               | 40             | 80             |                     | 2               |                | 9              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Mallard                                            |               | 22            | 70            | 25              | 55             | 60             | 62                  | 45              | 85             | 4031           | 8           |              | 7            |              | 2            |
| Northern Pintail                                   |               |               |               | 25              | 6              |                | 15                  |                 | 19             | 15             |             |              |              |              |              |
| Blue-winged Teal                                   |               |               |               |                 | 30             |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| "Blue-winged" Teal sp.                             |               |               |               | 3               |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Northern Shoveler                                  | 4             |               |               | 6               | 80             | 55             |                     |                 |                | 220            |             |              |              |              |              |
| Gadwall                                            | 1             | 5             | 10            | 4               | 40             | 65             | 67                  | 6               | 45             | 1              |             |              |              |              |              |
| American Wigeon                                    |               | 3             | 18            | 50              | 90             | 35             | 6                   | 25              | 12             | 8              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Canvasback                                         |               |               |               |                 | 6              |                | 15                  |                 | 5              | 14             |             |              |              |              |              |
| Redhead                                            |               |               |               |                 | 25             | 50             | 20                  | 8               | 11             | 1              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Ring-necked Duck                                   | 3             |               | 1             | 125             | 15             |                | 2                   | 1               | 38             |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Lesser Scaup                                       |               |               | 1             |                 |                | 10             |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Bufflehead                                         |               |               |               | 25              | 8              |                | 15                  |                 | 1              | 8              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Hooded Merganser                                   |               |               |               |                 |                |                |                     | 1               |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Common Merganser                                   | 3             |               |               | 2               |                | 10f            | 6                   | 8               |                | 1              |             |              | 5            |              |              |
| Ruddy Duck                                         |               |               |               |                 | 15             | 50             | 12                  |                 |                | 8              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Osprey                                             | 5             |               |               |                 |                | 1              |                     |                 |                |                |             |              | 1            |              |              |
| Bald Eagle                                         |               |               |               |                 | 2              |                |                     |                 | 1              | 3              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Northern Harrier                                   | 1             | 2             |               |                 | 1              |                | 3                   |                 | 1              | 5              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                                 |               |               |               |                 |                | 1              |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Cooper's Hawk                                      |               |               |               |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              | 1            |              | 1            |
| Northern Goshawk                                   |               |               |               |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              | 1            |              |              |
| Red-tailed Hawk                                    |               |               | 4             | 1               |                |                | 10                  |                 |                | 4              | 7           | 2            |              |              | 2            |
| western races                                      |               |               |               |                 | 2              | 4              |                     | 4               | 10             |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| "Harlan's" race                                    |               |               |               |                 | 1              |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Ferruginous Hawk                                   |               |               |               |                 |                | 1              | 2                   |                 | 2              | 3              |             |              |              |              |              |
| Rough-legged Hawk                                  |               |               |               |                 |                |                | 4                   |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Golden Eagle                                       |               |               |               |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              | 1            |              |              |
| American Kestrel                                   | 3             | 1             |               | 1               | 2              | 1              |                     | 3               |                | 6              |             |              | 3            |              | 2            |
| Prairie Falcon                                     |               | 1             |               |                 | 2              |                | 1                   |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                               | 1             |               |               |                 |                | 2m             | 1                   |                 | 6              |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| Blue Grouse                                        |               |               |               |                 |                |                |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              | 1            |              |
| Virginia Rail                                      |               |               |               |                 |                | 2H             |                     |                 |                |                |             |              |              |              |              |
| American Coot                                      | 3             | 14            | 8             |                 |                | 5              | 34                  |                 | 60             | 2              |             |              |              |              |              |

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| AREA COVERED             | CHT | ROX | WGB | BDR | BAR | CCR  | SWC   | BCK | RMA | GLY | M               | M  | F  | F  | P  |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED       | P   | F   | P   | PF  | P   | P    | VMP   | PF  | P   | P   |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Sandhill Crane           |     | 1   |     |     |     |      | 3600  |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Whooping Crane           |     |     |     |     |     |      | 6     |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Killdeer                 | 3   |     | 2   | 2   | 3   | 12   | 6     |     | 3   | 5   |                 |    |    |    |    |
| American Avocet          |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     | 2   |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Greater Yellowlegs       |     |     |     | 2   | 2   |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Lesser Yellowlegs        | 5   |     | 2   | 1   |     | 1    |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Least Sandpiper          |     |     |     |     |     | 3    |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher    |     |     |     |     | 3   |      |       |     | 7   |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Common Snipe             |     |     |     |     | 2   | 1    |       | 4   | 2   |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Franklin's Gull          | 2   |     |     |     | 4   | 350  |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Bonaparte's Gull         |     |     |     |     |     | 3    |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Mew Gull                 |     |     |     |     |     | 11   |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Ring-billed Gull         | 54  | 23  | 45  | 100 | 40  | 150  | 34    | 2   | 170 | 186 |                 |    |    |    |    |
| California Gull          |     | 2   |     | 1   | 5   | 65   |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Herring Gull             | 4   |     |     |     |     | 2    |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Sabine's Gull            |     |     |     |     |     | 11   |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Rock Dove                | 2   | 5   | 12  | 30  |     | 50   | 22    | 8   | 2   | 10  |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Mourning Dove            | 1   |     | 3   |     |     |      | 2     | 3   |     |     |                 |    |    |    | 1  |
| Eastern Screech-Owl      |     |     | 1   |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Great Horned Owl         |     |     |     |     |     |      | 3     |     | 2   |     |                 |    | 2  |    | 5  |
| Burrowing Owl            | 1   |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Belted Kingfisher        | 2   |     | 1   |     |     | 1f   |       | 3   |     |     |                 |    | 1  |    |    |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsucker |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    | 1  |    |    |
| Red-naped Sapsucker      |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    | 1  |    |    |
| Downy Woodpecker         | 1   |     | 3   | 4   |     |      | 1     |     | 2   | 1   |                 | 1  |    |    | 3  |
| Batchelder's" race       |     |     |     |     | 2   |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| eastern races            |     |     |     |     |     | 1m1f |       | 2   |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Hairy Woodpecker         |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    | 2  |    |
| Northern Flicker         | 5   |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     | 1   |                 |    |    |    |    |
| "Yellow-shafted" race    |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    | 1  |    |
| "Red-shafted" race       |     | 3   | 9   | 3   | 4   | 7    | 7     | 8   | 14  |     |                 | 1  | 6  | 1  | 8  |
| Horned Lark              |     |     |     |     | 5   |      | 22    |     | 28  | 90  |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Barn Swallow             |     |     |     |     |     |      | 3     |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Gray Jay                 |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |     |     |     | 2               |    |    |    |    |
| Steller's Jay            |     | 5   |     | 7   |     |      | 8     | 1   |     |     | 10              | 21 | 1  | 10 |    |
| Blue Jay                 | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   |     | 1    |       |     |     | 2   |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Scrub Jay                |     | 25  |     |     |     |      | 3     |     |     |     |                 |    | 12 |    |    |
| Pinyon Jay               |     |     |     |     |     |      | 12    |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Clark's Nutcracker       |     |     |     |     |     |      | 4     |     |     |     |                 |    | 6  | 3  |    |
| Black-billed Magpie      | 2   | 8   | 13  | 15  | 2   | 35   | 42    | 12  | 11  | 9   | 3               | 4  | 22 | 2  | 11 |
| American Crow            | 1   | 7   |     | 1   |     | 3    | 8     |     |     | 2   | 2               | 4  |    | 3  | 11 |
| Common Raven             |     | 2   |     | 1   |     |      | 45    | 4   |     |     |                 |    |    | 1  | 2  |
| Black-capped Chickadee   | 8   | 4   | 10  | 8   | 7   | 13   | 2     | 8   | 2   | 4   | 4               |    |    |    | 18 |
| Mountain Chickadee       |     |     |     | 2   |     |      | 13    | 4   |     |     | 4               | 12 |    | 8  |    |
| Bushtit                  |     |     |     |     |     |      | 20    |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch    |     |     |     |     | 1   |      |       |     |     |     | 1               |    |    |    |    |
| White-breasted Nuthatch  |     |     |     |     |     |      | 2     | 1   |     |     | 1               |    |    | 4  |    |
| Pygmy Nuthatch           |     |     |     |     |     |      |       | 8   |     |     |                 |    |    | 5  |    |
| Brown Creeper            | 1   |     | 1   | 4   |     |      |       | 2   |     | 1   |                 | 2  |    |    | 3  |
| American Dipper          |     |     |     |     |     |      | 1     |     |     |     |                 |    | 2  |    |    |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet     | 2   | 3   |     | 4   | 8   | 1    |       |     |     |     | 7               |    |    |    |    |
| Western Bluebird         |     |     |     |     |     |      | 1     |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Mountain Bluebird        |     | 5   |     | 6   |     | 2m   | 5     |     | 2   |     | 63              |    | 1  |    |    |
| Townsend's Solitaire     |     | 1   |     |     | 1   |      | 9     | 1   |     |     | 8               | 3  | 7  | 7  |    |
| Swainson's Thrush        |     |     |     |     | 1   |      |       |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |
| Hermit Thrush            |     |     |     |     |     |      | 2     |     |     |     |                 |    |    |    |    |

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| AREA COVERED              | CHT | ROX | WGB | BDR | BAR  | CCR  | SWC   | BCK | RMA | GLY  | Tuesday Birders |    |     |    |     |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED        | P   | F   | P   | PF  | P    | P    | VMP   | PF  | P   | P    | M               | M  | F   | F  | P   |
| American Robin            | 3   | 2   | 6   | 75  | 6    | 10   | 6     | 14  | 14  | 3    | 10              |    | 1   | 6  |     |
| American Pipit            |     |     |     |     |      | 1    |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Cedar Waxwing             |     |     |     | 50  |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| European Starling         | 20  | 15  | 65  | 3   | 40   | 40   | 5125  | 44  | 30  | 93   |                 |    | 9   |    | 4   |
| Philadelphia Vireo        |     |     |     | 1   |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Orange-crowned Warbler    |     |     | 2   | 6   | 1    |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler     | 1   |     | 20  | 23  |      |      |       |     |     |      | 1               |    |     |    |     |
| "Myrtle" race             |     | 3   |     | 1   | 1    |      |       | 3   |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| "Audubon's" race          | 1   |     |     | 1   |      |      | 9     | 1   |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Townsend's Warbler        |     |     |     |     | 1    |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Palm Warbler              |     |     |     | 1   |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Common Yellowthroat       |     |     |     | 2   |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Wilson's Warbler          | 2   |     |     |     |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Western Tanager           | 1   |     |     |     |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Lazuli Bunting            |     |     |     |     |      | 11   |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Rufous-sided Towhee       |     | 1   |     | 2   |      |      |       |     |     |      | 1               |    | 2   |    | 1   |
| American Tree Sparrow     |     |     |     |     |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    | 13  |
| Chipping Sparrow          |     |     |     |     |      |      | 1     |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Lark Bunting              |     |     |     |     |      |      |       |     |     |      | 6               |    |     |    |     |
| Savannah Sparrow          |     |     |     | 1   |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Song Sparrow              |     |     | 8   | 1   | 11   | 25   | 2     | 3   | 2   |      |                 |    |     |    | 2   |
| Lincoln's Sparrow         |     |     |     |     |      | 1    |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| White-crowned Sparrow     | 5   | 15  | 12  | 8   |      |      | 6     |     | 5   |      |                 | 2  |     |    | 7   |
| "eastern" race            |     |     |     |     |      |      |       | 9   |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| "Gambel's" race           | 3   |     |     |     |      | 40   |       |     |     |      |                 |    | 45  |    |     |
| Harris' Sparrow           |     |     |     |     |      |      |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    | 2   |
| Dark-eyed Junco           |     |     |     |     |      |      | 5     |     |     | 22   |                 |    | 10  | 18 | 37  |
| "Slate-colored" race      |     |     |     |     |      |      | 1     | 1   |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| "Oregon" race             |     |     |     | 15  | 6    |      | 8     | 2   | 20  |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| "Gray-headed" race        |     |     |     |     | 2    |      | 7     |     |     |      | 6               | 3  |     |    |     |
| Red-winged Blackbird      | 20  |     | 45  | 2   | 50   | 50   | 4     | 6   | 4   | 2020 |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Western Meadowlark        | 3   | 10  |     |     | 60   | 10   | 2     | 1   | 22  | 31   | 3               |    | 13  |    | 20  |
| Rusty Blackbird           |     |     |     |     |      | 1m   |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Brewer's Blackbird        |     |     |     |     |      |      | 63    |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Great-tailed Grackle      |     |     |     |     |      |      | 25    |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Common Grackle            |     |     | 55  | 25  | 1    | 5    |       |     |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| House Finch               |     |     | 10  | 25  | 9    | 15   | 4     | 36  | 15  | 40   |                 |    | 12  |    | 1   |
| Pine Siskin               |     |     |     | 1   | 12   |      |       |     |     |      | 5               | 3  |     | 7  |     |
| American Goldfinch        | 2   |     | 2   | 2   | 2    | 5    |       | 16  |     |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| Evening Grosbeak          |     |     |     |     |      |      | 1     |     | 2   |      |                 |    |     |    |     |
| House Sparrow             |     |     | 10  | 3   | 10   | 20   | 12    |     |     | 172  |                 |    |     |    |     |
| TOTAL SPECIES - 107+11+11 | 40  | 34  | 35  | 52  | 52   | 59   | 65    | 38  | 40  | 42   | 20              | 13 | 26  | 17 | 22  |
| TOTAL INDIVIDUALS         | 384 | 208 | 583 | 768 | 1065 | 1762 | 9620  | 322 | 712 | 8417 | 152             | 64 | 179 | 81 | 156 |

#### ADDITIONAL OCTOBER 1989 REPORTS

##### Instructions for submitting "Additional Reports"

1. Individual "Additional Reports" of interesting sightings made during the month are welcomed. However, the Editor reserves the right to publish only those reports that are deemed as unusual/rare or as augmenting the reports submitted by field trip leaders from scheduled DFO field trips.
2. The reports should be submitted in Sixth A.O.U. Check-List (1983, 1985, 1987, & 1989) order and include the date(s) of observation, number of birds seen, sex and plumage if possible, and specific location. Please refer to the supplement of the *Lark Bunting*, Volume 24, Number 11 (August 1989), for instructions on preparing written documentation to support observations of extremely rare or accidental species as well as for those species that pose difficult field identification problems.
3. Deadline for receipt of all additional reports is the fifth of the following month. They should be sent to the Editor.



Pacific Loon 10-24 (3) Prewitt Reservoir, Washington Co. (AH,JR)N  
 Common Loon 10-2 (1) Boulder Reservoir, Boulder Co. (AS)S  
 Greater White-fronted Goose 10-7 (2) Pond SE of Ovid, Sedgwick Co. (DB)N  
 Surf Scoter 10-10 (3f) Jackson Res. (JR)F  
 Merlin 10-21 (1) Chatfield SRA, Douglas Co. (RL)N; 10-24 (1) Just west of  
 Roggen, Weld Co. (AH,JR)N  
 Wild Turkey 10-9 (5) Below Two Buttes Dam, Baca Co. (DB)N  
 Northern Bobwhite 10-24 (15) Julesburg rest stop, Sedgwick Co. (AH,JR)N  
 Sandhill Crane 10-16 (75) 5 miles NE of Penrose, Fremont Co. (AS)N; 10-24 (120)  
 Jumbo Reservoir SWA, Sedgwick Co. (AH,JR)N  
 Black-bellied Plover 10-24 (2) Jumbo Res. SWA (AH,JR)N  
 Lesser Golden Plover 10-10 (1) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Semipalmated Plover 10-10 (2) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Marbled Godwit 10-10 (1) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Sanderling 10-10 (35) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Baird's Sandpiper 10-10 (70) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Dunlin 10-24 (1) Jumbo Res. SWA (AH,JR)N  
 Stilt Sandpiper 10-10 (65) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
Red Phalarope 10-14 (1) Chatfield SRA (RL)S  
Pomarine Jaeger 10-10 (1a) Jumbo Res. SWA (JR)F  
 Thayer's Gull 10-10 (1i) Jackson Res. (JR)S  
 Common Tern 10-4 (1) Cherry Creek Res. SRA (BR)S  
 Forster's Tern 10-10 (7) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Black Tern 10-10 (1) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 10-21 (1m) Muir Springs Park, Morgan Co. (NE,BR)N  
 Clark's Nutcracker 10-7 (1) Castlewood Canyon State Park (RL)N  
 Rock Wren 10-10 (2) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
Carolina Wren 10-9 (1) 2 miles below Two Buttes Dam (DB)F  
 Winter Wren 10-3 (1) Bonny Reservoir SWA, Yuma Co. (DB)N  
 Eastern Bluebird 10-24 (8) Just west of Crook, Logan Co. (AH,JR)N  
 Veery 10-18 (1) Barr Lake, Adams Co. (DB)N  
 Brown Thrasher 10-29 (1) Chatfield SRA (RL)N  
 American Pipit 10-3 (30) Bonny Res. SWA (DB)N  
Sprague's Pipit 10-10 (1a) Sedgwick Co. Road 30 about 7 miles east of US 385 (JR)F;  
 10-14,15,21 (2) 8.5 miles SE of Julesburg, Sedgwick Co. (DB)F; 10-24 (1) About  
 12 miles SE of Julesburg (AH,JR)N  
 Magnolia Warbler 10-10 (1m) Jackson Res. (JR)N  
 Yellow-throated Warbler 10-14 (1) Wolf Woods, Denver Zoo, Denver, Denver Co. (MP)S  
 Palm Warbler 10-5 (1i) Barr Lake (DB)N  
 Prothonotary Warbler 10-29 (1) Chatfield SRA (RL)F  
 Canada Warbler 10-29 (1m) Chatfield SRA (RL)F  
 Vesper Sparrow 10-10 (3) Near Julesburg (JR)N  
Baird's Sparrow 10-14 (3) 7 miles east of Julesburg (DB)F  
 McCown's Longspur 10-10 (15) Sedgwick Co. Road 30 (JR)N  
 Chestnut-collared Longspur 10-10 (75) Sedgwick Co. Road 30 (JR)N  
 Red Crossbill 10-5 (6) Genessee Park, Jefferson Co. (TJ)S

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 Abbreviations used above after observer's initials: N=No details; S=Some written de-  
 tails; F=rare-bird Form submitted.  
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#### OCTOBER RECORD OF THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT (423-5582)

David Martin informs us that 107 reports and 28 updates of 29 species were phoned in  
 to the Colorado Bird Report in October. Excluding the Monk Parakeets seen in Denver,  
 8 of the species reported were not seen on any field trip or reported as "additional  
 reports". 2605 calls were made to the Bird Report for information.

LARK BUNTING SUPPLEMENT

1989 ANNUAL FALL COUNT SUMMARY

(Prepared by Jack Reddall)

A total of eight Count areas, up one from last year, were covered on this year's Annual Fall Count conducted on September 9 and 10 (refer to Lark Bunting, Vol. 25, No. 1 for complete details). A new area, the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, was added this year making a grand total of 16 different areas that have been covered at various times during the past 19 years that the Denver Field Ornithologists have conducted an organized Annual Fall Count in the greater Denver area. Only the Barr Lake S.P. Count area has survived from the original "BBHMP TRIANGLE" (Barr Lake, Banner Lakes, Horsecreek Reservoir, Mile High Lakes and Prospect Reservoir) established in 1971 by Van Remsen for the purpose of counting and recording all species and numbers for each species in an attempt to develop trends during the fall migration of birds in the Denver area. Due to conflicts with duck hunting activities within this area, the "BBHMP TRIANGLE" had to be abandoned after five years. Other Count areas have been added and dropped over the ensuing years, so that the statistics compiled since 1971 do not portray a solid basis for establishing fall migratory trends, etc. as originally envisioned by Remsen.

This year's Count finished up with a record-breaking total of 173 species besting the previous record high of 163 species reported last year. In addition, a total of 19,815 individual birds were counted making 1989 the second highest total ever in the 19-year history of the Count, exceeded only by an amazing 30,586 birds recorded from only four Count areas in 1972! The Chatfield SRA with leaders Joey and Brenda Kellner recorded 105 species for the highest number of species reported in this year's Count, the first time that this area has reached or exceeded one hundred species since it was added in 1979 (coincidentally the last time any area reached 100 species-Barr Lake S.P.). Record high number of species were also established at Waterton with 76 species (previous high 73 in 1987); at Cherry Creek SRA with 86 species (previous high 82 in 1988); and at Castlewood Canyon S.P. with 57 species (which tied the previous high in 1984). The Barr Lake S.P. Count led by Dick Schottler found the greatest number of individual birds-4,546.

Three new species were added this year bringing the 19-year total to 255: EASTERN BLUEBIRD-one reported from Castlewood Canyon S.P.; YELLOW-THROATED VIREO-one seen at Chatfield SRA and HOODED WARBLER-one found at Waterton. Other notable finds (less than five years): one Bald Eagle at Barr Lake S.P. (2nd record); one Broad-winged Hawk at Waterton (3rd record); one Merlin at Barr Lake S.P. (3rd record); three Eastern Screech-Owls, one at Chatfield SRA and two at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal (2nd and 3rd records); 52(!) Pinyon Jays at Castlewood Canyon S.P. (2nd record); one American Dipper at Castlewood Canyon S.P. (3rd record); twelve Western Bluebirds at Castlewood Canyon S.P. (4th record); one Northern Waterthrush at Chatfield SRA (2nd record); one Grasshopper Sparrow along the Barr Lake Periphery (2nd record).

A 19-year summary by Count area follows below:

| YEAR | TOT<br>SPC | TOTAL<br>INDIV | NUMBER OF SPECIES BY COUNT AREA |            |            |           |           |           |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|------|------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|      |            |                | BP<br>PL                        | BAR<br>PLN | HCK<br>PLN | MH<br>PL  | BN<br>PL  | PS<br>PL  | PY<br>PL  | BC<br>PL  | CSR<br>PLN | CK<br>PL  | CW<br>FH  | EV<br>MT  | RP<br>FH  | WT<br>PL  | WR<br>PF  | AR<br>PL  |
| 1971 | 133        | 19310          | 79                              | 86         | 85         | 81        |           |           |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1972 | 150        | <u>30586</u>   | <u>91</u>                       | <u>113</u> | <u>117</u> | <u>90</u> |           |           |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1973 | 123        | 12903          |                                 | 71         | 68         | 79        | 49        | 72        |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1974 | 134        | 11666          |                                 | 103        | 84         | 64        | 44        | 73        |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1975 | 127        | 19988          |                                 | 89         | 87         | 64        | 52        | 19        |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1976 | 121        | 14538          |                                 | 104        |            |           | 59        | 68        |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1977 | 117        | 13524          |                                 | 84         | 78         |           | <u>40</u> | <u>75</u> |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1978 | 104        | 7205           |                                 | 83         |            |           | 35        | 61        |           |           |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| 1979 | 157        | 14031          |                                 | 100        |            |           |           |           | 81        | 71        | 82         | 35        | 45        | 54        | 25        |           |           |           |
| 1980 | 154        | 14445          |                                 | 95         |            |           |           |           | <u>69</u> | 46        | 96         | 43        | 41        | 37        | 26        |           |           |           |
| 1981 | 149        | 12311          |                                 | 82         |            |           |           |           | 62        | 56        | 90         | 37        | 45        | <u>20</u> | <u>38</u> |           |           |           |
| 1982 | 140        | 7390           |                                 | 20         |            |           |           |           | 75        | 59        | 47         | 40        | 43        | 59        | 15        | 27        |           |           |
| 1983 | 150        | 10339          |                                 | 77         |            |           |           |           | 61        | 40        | 73         | 40        | 42        | 71        | 30        | 48        |           |           |
| 1984 | 150        | 14891          |                                 | 78         |            |           |           |           | 46        | 61        | 67         | 35        | 57        |           | 21        | 63        |           |           |
| 1985 | 143        | 14421          |                                 | 71         |            |           |           |           | 52        | <u>75</u> | 76         | 45        | <u>40</u> |           | 24        | 59        |           |           |
| 1986 | 152        | 16120          |                                 | 86         |            |           |           |           | 64        | <u>72</u> | 77         | 59        |           |           |           |           | <u>61</u> |           |
| 1987 | 149        | 14535          |                                 | 85         |            |           |           |           | 68        | 65        | 84         | 75        |           |           |           | 73        |           |           |
| 1988 | 163        | 17456          |                                 | 67         |            |           |           |           | 65        | 69        | 83         | 82        | 47        |           |           | 68        |           |           |
| 1989 | 173        | 19815          |                                 | 74         |            |           |           |           | 68        | 59        | <u>105</u> | <u>86</u> | <u>57</u> |           |           | <u>76</u> |           | <u>77</u> |

**LEGEND:** Banner Lakes & Prospect Reservoir (BP)

Barr Lake State Park (BAR)

Horsecreek Reservoir (HCK)

Mile High Lakes (MH)

Banner Lakes (BN)

Prospect Reservoir (PS)

Barr Lake Periphery (PY)

Bear Creek Lake Park (BC)

Chatfield SRA (CSR)

Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (CK)

Castlewood Canyon State Park (CW)

Evergreen (EV)

Red Rocks Park (RP)

Waterton (WT)

Waterton/Roxborough State Park (WR)

Rocky Mountain Arsenal (AR)

HIGHEST COUNT TOTALS = Underlined

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is requesting DFO volunteers to assist with bird identification at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal on double-decker bus tours on Saturdays: November 18, December 2 & 16, and January 6 & 20. The tours last about 2.5 hours and start at 7:30 AM. If interested contact Ed Holub at 979-2194.



## NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Contributions to the Colorado Bird Report

Warm thanks are extended to the following persons for their recent contributions to the Colorado Bird Report: Mary & Peter Babin, Thompson Marsh, Arlene & Gerald Raskin

### Welcome to New Members

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### Purchasing "Birder's Guide" Books

Be sure to purchase your copies of the "Birder's Guide" series (Lane and Holt) at regular monthly meetings of the Denver Field Ornithologists. Forty percent of all sales made at DFO meetings are turned over to our treasury.

### Notification of Change of Address

Please notify the Treasure of change in your address. DO NOT contact the editor!

### Failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*

For one-time failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*, contact the Editor (Tel. 232-7421), who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the *Lark Bunting* two months in a row, contact the Treasure in writing.

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## DECEMBER DFO FIELD TRIPS

### Field Trip Leaders Needed

If you would like to lead a field trip for the DFO, please contact either Ruth Breckon (455-0970) or Ruth Wheeler (455-3924).

### Carpooling Urged on Field Trips

All field trip participants are urged to carpool to help conserve energy and reduce air pollution. If you plan to go on any of the field trips listed below, please contact the Leaders ahead of time as they may be able to arrange for carpooling.

### Transportation Costs on Field Trips

Everyone is expected to share in the mileage expenses on scheduled DFO field trips. The suggested share is 10 cents per mile divided by the number of people in the car including the driver.

Call the Colorado Bird Report at 423-5582 before going on a field trip to determine if there have been any cancellations or changes in schedules.

**DEC. 2, Saturday. NORTHWEST METRO AREA INCLUDING PONDS AND GRAVEL PITS.**  
**Leader:** Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 8:00 AM at northwest corner of Sloan's Lake Park, Sheridan Blvd. & West 25th Ave. \*

DEC. 3, Sunday. CHERRY CREEK SRA. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet at 7:30 AM at west gate (east of Cherry Creek High School). \*

DEC. 9, Saturday. CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT PRE-COUNT FOR AREA 4A (LOWER SOUTH PLATTE). Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Meet at 7:30 AM on the west side of King Soopers on northeast corner of South Federal Blvd. & Bellevue Ave. \*

DEC. 9&10, Saturday & Sunday. OTHER CBC PRE-COUNTS. Contact the leader of an area in which you would like to assist to learn when and if a pre-count is to be done.

DEC. 16, Saturday. ANNUAL DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT.

\* Bring lunch

Submitted by: Ruth Breckon and Ruth Wheeler

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DENVER CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT: Saturday, December 16, 1989

COUNT LEADERS & COMPILERS: Dick Schottler (278-8035)

Norm Erthal (424-6747)

FEEDER COORDINATOR: Hugh Kingery (333-0161)

COMPILATION MEETING & DINNER: 5:00 PM at Wyatt's, Bear Valley Shopping Center.

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Please call one of the Area Leaders listed below if you would like to assist in counting in a particular area or call Dick Schottler (278-8035) if you would like to help count in an area that needs additional participants. There are still three count areas that do not have leaders and so will not be covered if we can't come up with some volunteers to help out. If you are interested in leading the count in one of the three areas, please call one of the Count Leaders listed above as soon as possible.

Area leaders should contact Dick Schottler before the count to indicate how many participants they have to assist in their areas.

In order to participate in the Annual Denver Christmas Bird Count, you will be required to pay a \$4.00 fee as directed by the National Audubon Society. This fee is necessary to help defray the cost of publishing the results of all Christmas Bird Counts nationwide and elsewhere in *American Birds*. TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDINGS, ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE ADVISED THAT THE \$4.00 FEE MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE OR THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE COUNT. Checks must be made payable to *American Birds*, not the Denver Field Ornithologists.

PRE-COUNTS: All Area Leaders are urged to conduct Pre-Counts. Since days and times will vary for Pre-Counts, please contact an Area Leader if you wish to help in a particular area. There is no fee charged for participating in a Pre-Count.

Listed below are the area numbers and locations along with the names of the Area Leaders and their telephone numbers. Please contact Area Leaders for information as to meeting places and times on Count Day, December 16, 1989.

| AREA NUMBER AND LOCATION           | AREA LEADER AND TELEPHONE NUMBER |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Red Rocks Park . . . . .        | Bill Brockner 674-4851           |
| 2. Lower Bear Creek . . . . .      | Bob Spencer 279-4682             |
|                                    | Mary Jane Schock 922-3144        |
| 2A. Bear Creek Lake Park . . . . . | Kathy Hawkins 757-0809           |
| 3. BowMar/Marston . . . . .        | Mort Staatz 279-6169             |
| 4A. Lower South Platte . . . . .   | Ed Holub 979-2194                |
| 4B. Lower South Platte . . . . .   | Dick Schottler 278-8035          |
| 5. Highline Ditch . . . . .        | Harold Oliver 936-6902           |
| 6. Plum Creek . . . . .            | Norm Erthal 424-6747             |
| 7A. Middle South Platte . . . . .  | Patty Echelmeyer 233-4947        |

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AREA NUMBER AND LOCATION

AREA LEADER AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

|                                          |                           |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 7B. Middle South Platte . . . . .        | Hugh Kingery 333-0161     |
| 8. Chatfield SRA . . . . .               | Joey Kellner 985-0552     |
| 9. Upper South Platte . . . . .          | David Martin 422-9143     |
| 10. Lower Deer Creek . . . . .           | Lynn Willcockson 757-7000 |
| 11. Upper Deer Creek . . . . .           | Randy Lentz 777-7101      |
| 12. Yegge Peak . . . . .                 | <u>NO LEADER</u>          |
| 13. Doublehead Mountain . . . . .        | Mike Carter 654-0940      |
| 14. North Turkey Creek . . . . .         | Warren Finch 233-3372     |
| 15. Indian Hills . . . . .               | Duane Nelson 642-7109     |
| 16. Upper Bear Creek . . . . .           | Phil Hayes 232-7421       |
| 17. Ken-Caryl Ranch . . . . .            | Alan Hay 422-0239         |
| 18. Garrison Gate . . . . .              | <u>NO LEADER</u>          |
| 19. Morrison/Willow Brook . . . . .      | Carol Hack 777-7893       |
| 20. Willow Creek . . . . .               | Bob Righter 692-8529      |
| 21. Mount Lindo/Willow Springs . . . . . | <u>NO LEADER</u>          |

OTHER COLORADO CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS

December 16, Saturday:

LONGMONT Virginia D'Onigi - 1-776-2609  
 COLORADO SPRINGS Ben & Sally Sorenson - 1-719-635-4791

December 17, Sunday:

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK Clait Braun - Business 1-484-2836  
 - Home 1-493-2841  
 BOULDER Bill Kaempfer - Business 492-4486  
 - Home 939-8005  
 EVERGREEN Barbara Jean Gard - 674-3280

December 20, Wednesday:

NUNN Clait Braun - Business 1-484-2836  
 - Home 1-493-2841

December 23, Saturday:

FORT MORGAN Dave Hutchinson - 1-667-8413  
 FORT COLLINS Dr. Ron Ryder - 1-482-8089

December 27, Wednesday:

NORTH PARK Clait Braun - Business 1-484-2836  
 - Home 1-493-2841

December 30, Saturday:

BARR LAKE Mike Carter - 654-0940  
Bob Andrews - 442-3238  
 DENVER URBAN Walt Bull - 751-1032

December 31, Sunday:

DOUGLAS COUNTY Ben Moore - 989-0269  
 RAWHIDE Dr. Ron Ryder - 1-482-8089  
 PIKE'S PEAK Helen Randal - 1-719-684-9407

TUESDAY BIRDERS: You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.



## DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - Membership Information

### WELCOME to the D.F.O.

**PURPOSE:** The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December), 7:30 P.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on the Colorado Bird Report 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.

**FIELD TRIPS:** These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.

**BULLETIN:** A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.

### D.F.O. COLORADO BIRD REPORT (303)423-5582

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#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Family Membership - \$10 (if paid after Oct. 1, valid for next year)

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen Membership (Age 65 or Older) - \$8

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Membership (Age 18 or younger) - \$5

\_\_\_\_\_ Contribution to the Colorado Bird Report

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Send to the treasurer: Alan Hay, 6361 Brooks Dr., Arvada, CO 80004 (303)422-0239



## THE LARK BUNTING

MONTHLY REPORT OF FIELD OBSERVATIONS

OF THE

DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS

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Denver, Colorado

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY, EXCEPT FOR DECEMBER, AT 7:30 PM, DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, WEST AUDITORIUM

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1990

PROGRAM: To be arranged.

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### NOVEMBER 1989 FIELD TRIP SUMMARIES

#### NOVEMBER 4, Saturday (NEC)

Northeast Colorado: Denver to Bennett to Wiggins, Bijou Reservoir, Muir Springs, & Jackson State Park. Leader: Kathy Hawkins. Observers: Harold Arnold, Alan & Dee Hay, Phil Hayes, Joe Meltzer (California), Vickie Milan, Betty & Harold Oliver, Dale & Sheryl Peterson, Jack Reddall, Joe Roller, Anne Southcott, Neil Ward, Chris & Russ Wood. (Partly cloudy; Wind, W 0-15 MPH; 40-55F). 214 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 11 hours birding. (72 species, 24633 individuals).

#### NOVEMBER 5, Sunday (SPC)

Douglas County: Sedalia, Plum Creek, & Castlewood Canyon State Park. Leader: Ben Moore. Observers: Ursula Barsch, Hilda Eichenberger, Jean & Jim Fredlund. (Clear; Wind, N 5-10 MPH; 45-65F). 98 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 6 hours birding. (17 species, 128 individuals).

#### NOVEMBER 11, Saturday (PRP)

South Platte River Park & McLellan Reservoir. Leader: Ed Holub. Observers: Dick & Peggy Bolz, Ruth Breckon, Marilyn Clark, Hilda & Steve Eichenberger, Dan George, Alan Hay, Jean Maguire, Anne Southcott, Joe TenBrink, Ruth Wheeler,

Virgil Williams. (Clear; Calm; 39-75F). 18 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 5.75 hours birding. (41 species, 1084 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 12, Sunday** (BAR)  
Barr Lake State Park. Leader: Lee & Marilyn Rowe. Observers: Bruce Humbolt, Twyla Jorgensen, Joe TenBrink. (Sunny; Wind, variable; 45-70F). 0 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 3.5 hours birding. (36 species, 1473 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 12, Sunday** (NCC)  
North Central Colorado: Hamilton Reservoir, Fort Collins, Loveland, Union Reservoir, Cherry Creek SRA. Observers: Jack Reddall, Nick Watmough. (Mostly clear; Wind, W 0-25 MPH; 41-76F). 236 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 10 hours birding. (64 species, 14448 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 18, Saturday** (CCR)  
Cherry Creek SRA. Leader: Floyd Pendell. Observers: Marge Armitage, Ruth Breckon, Mary Dexter, Scott Fitzmorris, Terry Flageolle, Hazel Kellogg, Alberta Nelson, Liz Pendell, Donna Sole, Allaire Wallace, Ruth Wheeler, Chris Wood. (Mostly cloudy to partly cloudy; Wind, 0-12 MPH; 36-50F). 7 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 5 hours birding. (36 species, 1622 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 19, Sunday** (WGB)  
Wheat Ridge Greenbelt & nearby lakes. Leaders: Don & Diana Mullineaux. Observers: Pat & Wade Beall, Karen Bickett, Jessie & Walter Bowles, Marilyn Clark, Jean & Jim Fredlund, Irving Jackson, Dick Pratt, Sandy Selzer. (Mostly clear; Wind, calm; 50-75F). 10 miles by car, 2 miles on foot. 4 hours birding. (35 species, 762 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 24, Friday** (TKY)  
Turkey hunt in Evergreen area. Leader: Bob Spencer. Observers: Alan & Dee Hay, Ed Holub, Freda Krolik, Hal & Betty Oliver, Randy Pullen, Chris & Russ Wood, Janet Wood. (Partly cloudy; Wind, calm; 35-45F). 15 miles by car, 1 mile on foot. 4 hours birding. (20 species, 147 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 25, Saturday** (NDV)  
Ponds & South Platte River in north Denver and southern Adams County. Leader: Ruth Breckon. Observers: Rose & Mike Barber, Ethel Barr, Virginia Bleck, Peg & Dick Bolz, George Collings, Nora Bell

Dalke, Hilda Eichenberger, Almer Fenner (Seattle), Bonny Hay, Alan & Dee Hay, Phil Hayes, Hazel Kellogg, Thompson Marsh, Bob Spencer, Ruth Wheeler. (Cloudy to partly cloudy; Wind, 0-10 MPH; 32-58F). 59 miles by car, 1.5 miles on foot. 7 hours birding. (40 species, 2385 individuals).

**NOVEMBER 26, Sunday** (CHT)  
Chatfield SRA. Leader: Mort Staatz. Observers: Jim & Jean Fredlund, Bob Sabine, Nancy Welter. (Clear; Wind, S 2-40MPH; 30-58F). 22 miles by car, 2.5 miles on foot. 5.6 hours birding. (26 species, 498 individuals).

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#### TUESDAY BIRDERS TRIPS (Reported by Monna Krebs)

**Nov. 7, Barr Lake State Park.** Leader: Ann Bonnell. 33 observers. (34 species, 421 individuals).

**Nov. 14, Cherry Creek SRA.** Leader: Ann Bonnell. 31 observers. (30 species, 476 individuals).

**Nov. 21, Chatfield SRA.** Leader: Ann Bonnell. 26 observers. (35 species, 902 individuals).

**Nov. 28, Chatfield Arboretum.** Leader: Ann Bonnell. 23 observers. (23 species, 405 individuals).

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#### NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

A total of 99 species were observed on the 9 regularly scheduled DFO field trips in November. An additional 7 species were seen on the one independent trip reported in this issue. The Tuesday Birders reported 2 more species making a total of 108 species shown on the following table. Another 30 species observed in Colorado in November are listed as "additional reports" on page 28. Eleven other species were reported to the Colorado Bird Report but not to the *Lark Bunting*.

The Northeast Colorado Raptor Trip (NEC) came up with 43 individuals of 8 species of raptor including an excellent protracted view of a perched Merlin. 64 additional species were seen on the trip giving it the highest species count of any trip of the month. In addition to thousands of waterfowl they saw a Harris Sparrow and 25 Cedar Waxwing.



Those who made the Douglas County trip (SPC) were not so fortunate. They saw only 17 species, the lowest count of the month. They did have the only Scrub Jays and Rufous-sided Towhee of the month, however.

The 14 participants on the trip to the South Platte River Park and McLellan Reservoir (PRP) enjoyed beautiful weather. They saw a female Surf Scoter and the last Blue-winged Teal of the fall.

The Barr Lake (BAR) trekkers also enjoyed nice weather and saw two "Harlan's" race Red-tailed Hawks and a Golden-crowned Kinglet.

Probably the highlight of the trip to Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA (PCC) was the observation of a Greater White-fronted Goose. The only Cooper's Hawk of the month was also seen as were a late Least Sandpiper and a White-throated Sparrow.

Included in the 35 species recorded on the trip to the Wheat Ridge Greenbelt (WGB) were 30 late Mourning Dove and the only Lesser Goldfinch of the month.

The Turkey hunt in the Evergreen area (TKY) the day after Thanksgiving was successful in that the searchers found 13 Wild Turkey. A big bonus was the viewing of a Northern Pygmy-Owl. To top things off they saw 4 Golden-crowned Kinglets and the only Clark's Nutcracker and Cassin's Finch of the month.

The 19 people in 6 cars who drove nearly 60 miles in north metro area traffic on the North Denver lakes and ponds trip (NDV) spotted 40 species. Some who were new to birding enjoyed a distant view of a Great Horned Owl.

The five participants who endured brisk winds on the trip to Chatfield SRA (CHT) saw the month's only Bald Eagle.

Two species seen by the Tuesday Birders that were not seen on any DFO trip were Vermilion Flycatcher (the same one shown under "additional reports" on page 28) and Swamp Sparrow.

Many of the 30 "extra" species shown as "additional reports" on page 28 are noteworthy. Particularly so are Yellow-billed Loon, Black-legged Kittiwake, Varied Thrush, and Blackburnian Warbler. Also of interest are Green-backed Heron, Tundra Swan, Oldsquaw, a very late Northern Rough-winged Swallow, and Winter Wren. A single Bohemian Waxwing was reported (will they be back this winter?). The reports of the first Common Redpoll in several winters are welcome.

The 11 species reported to the Colorado Bird Report but not the *Lark Bunting* are Ross Goose, Barrow's Goldeneye, Glaucus Gull, Carolina Wren, Brown Thrasher, Black-throated Blue Warbler, Hooded Warbler, Canada Warbler, Northern Cardinal, Golden-crowned Sparrow, and Red Crossbill.

| NOVEMBER 1989         | 4     | 5   | 11  | 12  | 12   | 18  | 19  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 7               | 14 | 21  | 28  |
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| AREA COVERED          | NEC   | SPC | PRP | BAR | NCC  | CCR | WGB | TKY | NDV | CHT | Tuesday Birders |    |     |     |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED    | P     | PF  | P   | P   | P    | P   | P   | M   | P   | P   | P               | P  | P   | P   |
| Pacific Loon          |       |     |     |     | 2    | 1   |     |     |     |     |                 |    |     |     |
| Common Loon           | 1     |     |     |     | 3    | 1   |     |     |     |     |                 | 2  | 1   |     |
| Pied-billed Grebe     | 4     |     | 1   |     | 15   | 2   | 4   |     | 3   |     |                 |    | 3   |     |
| Horned Grebe          | 5     |     | 4   |     | 10   |     |     |     |     |     | 3               | 70 |     |     |
| Eared Grebe           | 5     |     |     | 3   | 375  |     |     |     |     |     | 2               |    |     |     |
| Western Grebe         | 60    |     |     |     | 500  |     | 3   |     | 2   |     |                 |    | 3   |     |
| Dbl.-crest. Cormorant |       |     |     |     | 2    |     |     |     |     |     |                 |    | 1   |     |
| Great Blue Heron      | 2     |     | 3   |     |      | 1   | 4   |     | 2   |     |                 |    |     |     |
| Gr. Wh.-fronted Goose |       |     |     |     |      | 1   |     |     |     |     |                 |    |     |     |
| Snow Goose            |       |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     | 2               |    |     | 1   |
| "White" morph         | 6     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |                 |    |     |     |
| Canada Goose          | 65    |     | 460 | 334 | 550  | 700 | 272 |     | 955 | 130 | 45              | 47 | 517 | 222 |
| Wood Duck             | 2     |     | 20  |     |      | 2   |     |     |     |     |                 |    |     |     |
| Green-winged Teal     | 950   |     | 3   | 29  | 3    | 2   | 1   |     | 3   | 22  | 2               |    | 6   | 2   |
| Mallard               | 11000 |     | 75  | 250 | 3100 | 8   | 42  | 8   | 265 | 35  | 5               | 6  | 15  | 8   |
| Northern Pintail      | 350   |     |     | 32  | 200  |     |     |     | 27  |     | 2               |    |     |     |

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|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|---------|-----|----|
| AREA COVERED          | NEC  | SPC | PRP | BAR | NCC  | CCR | WGB | TKY | NDV | CHT | Tuesday | Birders |     |    |
| LIFE ZONES VISITED    | P    | PF  | P   | P   | P    | P   | P   | M   | P   | P   | P       | P       | P   | P  |
| Blue-winged Teal      |      |     | 4   |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Northern Shoveler     | 1950 |     |     | 150 | 35   |     | 10  |     | 182 |     | 57      |         |     |    |
| Gadwall               | 3000 |     | 30  | 8   | 1000 | 2   | 13  |     | 28  | 11  |         |         |     |    |
| American Wigeon       | 150  |     | 45  | 44  | 70   |     | 62  |     | 195 |     | 5       |         | 5   |    |
| Canvasback            | 20   |     | 1   |     | 75   |     |     |     | 9   |     |         |         |     |    |
| Redhead               | 100  |     |     |     | 100  |     | 1   |     | 2   |     |         | 5       |     |    |
| Ring-necked Duck      | 30   |     | 60  |     | 150  |     | 63  |     | 75  |     |         |         | 5   |    |
| Lesser Scaup          | 500  |     |     |     | 800  |     | 12  |     | 85  |     |         |         | 6   |    |
| Surf Scoter           |      |     | 1f  |     | 2    |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| White-winged Scoter   |      |     |     |     | 3    |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Common Goldeneye      | 9    |     | 16  | 5   | 200  | 125 | 30  |     | 63  | 6   |         | 20      | 10  |    |
| Bufflehead            | 500  |     | 60  |     | 450  |     |     |     | 26  | 9   | 2       |         |     |    |
| Hooded Merganser      |      |     | 15  |     |      |     | 3   |     | 8   |     |         |         |     |    |
| Common Merganser      |      |     | 2   | 1   | 9    | 500 | 7   |     | 5   |     |         | 30      | 7   |    |
| Red-breast. Merganser |      |     |     |     | 30   |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Ruddy Duck            | 400  |     |     | 2   | 600  |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Bald Eagle            |      |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1       |         |     |    |
| Northern Harrier      | 7    |     |     | 3   | 1m3f | 1   |     |     |     |     | 2       | 2       | 2   | 1  |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk    | 2    |     | 1   | 1   |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Cooper's Hawk         |      |     |     |     |      | 1   |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Red-tailed Hawk       |      | 2   |     | 1   |      |     | 1   |     | 5   | 1   | 1       | 1       | 4   | 1  |
| western races         | 5    |     | 4   |     | 2    |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| "Harlan's" race       |      |     |     | 2   |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Ferruginous Hawk      | 5    |     |     | 1   | 1a   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 1       | 4       |     |    |
| Rough-legged Hawk     | 6    |     | 1   |     | 1    |     |     |     | 1   |     | 2       |         | 1   |    |
| American Kestrel      | 12   |     | 2   |     | 3    |     | 2   |     | 1   |     | 1       |         |     |    |
| Merlin                | 1    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Prairie Falcon        | 5    |     |     | 1   |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Ring-necked Pheasant  | 2    |     |     | 1   |      |     |     |     |     |     |         | 1       |     |    |
| Wild Turkey           |      |     |     |     |      |     |     | 13  |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Virginia Rail         |      |     |     |     |      | 1H  |     |     |     |     |         |         | 4   |    |
| American Coot         | 50   |     | 55  | 12  | 400  | 6   | 6   |     | 19  | 145 | 2       |         | 123 |    |
| Black-bellied Plover  | 2    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Killdeer              | 15   |     |     |     | 10   | 2   |     |     | 8   | 2   |         | 1       |     |    |
| Least Sandpiper       |      |     |     |     | 1    | 1   |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Long-billed Dowitcher | 1    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Common Snipe          | 1    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     | 1  |
| Bonaparte's Gull      | 20   |     |     |     | 20   |     |     |     |     |     |         | 7       |     |    |
| Mew Gull              |      |     |     |     | 11   |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Ring-billed Gull      | 185  | 5   | 45  | 80  | 5000 | 169 | 95  |     | 150 | 35  | 49      | 200     | 20  | 2  |
| California Gull       |      |     |     |     | 25   | 8   |     |     |     |     |         | 3       |     |    |
| Herring Gull          | 1    |     |     |     | 100  |     |     |     |     |     |         | 5       |     |    |
| Rock Dove             | 537  | 2   | 20  |     | 25   | 15  | 4   |     | 82  |     | 27      | 10      | 60  |    |
| Mourning Dove         | 1    |     |     |     |      |     | 30  |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Great Horned Owl      | 1    |     | 1   |     |      |     |     |     | 1   | 1   | 2       |         | 1   | 4  |
| Northern Pygmy-Owl    |      |     |     |     |      |     |     | 1   |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Belted Kingfisher     | 2    |     | 3   | 1   | 2    |     |     |     |     |     |         |         | 1   |    |
| Downy Woodpecker      |      | 1   |     | 1   |      | 2   |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| eastern races         | 2    |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     | 4       | 1       | 2   |    |
| Hairy Woodpecker      |      |     |     | 1   |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| "Rocky Mtn." race     |      |     |     |     |      |     |     | 3   |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| Northern Flicker      |      |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         |     |    |
| "Red-shafted" race    | 12   | 1   | 4   | 6   | 6    | 3   | 7   |     | 9   | 4   |         | 5       | 2   | 1  |
| Vermilion Flycatcher  |      |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |     |     |         |         | 1f  |    |
| Horned Lark           | 550  |     |     |     | 100  |     |     |     |     |     | 117     |         | 20  |    |
| Steller's Jay         |      | 1   |     |     | 1    |     |     | 16  |     |     |         |         |     |    |

| NOVEMBER 1989<br>AREA COVERED<br>LIFE ZONES VISITED | 4<br>NEC<br>P | 5<br>SPC<br>PF | 11<br>PRP<br>P | 12<br>BAR<br>P | 12<br>NCC<br>P | 18<br>CCR<br>P | 19<br>WGB<br>P | 24<br>TKY<br>M | 25<br>NDV<br>P | 26<br>CHT<br>P | 7<br>Tuesday<br>P | 14<br>Birders<br>P | 21<br>P | 28<br>P |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Blue Jay                                            | 15            |                |                |                | 4              | 1              | 1H             |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Scrub Jay                                           |               | 11             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Clark's Nutcracker                                  |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 2              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Black-billed Magpie                                 | 55            | 22             | 9              |                | 25             | 16             | 22             | 3              | 27             | 10             | 7                 | 12                 | 21      | 25      |
| American Crow                                       | 9             | 11             | 1              |                | 45             |                |                | 1              | 5              |                |                   | 3                  |         | 5       |
| Common Raven                                        |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 3              |                | 1              |                   |                    |         | 3       |
| Blk.-capped Chickadee                               | 6             | 22             | 1              | 21             | 15             |                | 7              | 3              | 5              | 25             | 12                | 8                  | 4       | 22      |
| Mountain Chickadee                                  |               |                |                |                | 8              |                |                | 15             |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Red-breasted Nuthatch                               |               |                |                |                | 5              |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Wh.-breasted Nuthatch                               | 1             | 1              |                |                |                |                |                | 6              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Pygmy Nuthatch                                      |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 14             |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Brown Creeper                                       | 1             |                | 2              | 1              | 1              |                |                |                | 2              | 1              | 3                 |                    |         |         |
| House Wren                                          |               |                |                |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                |                   |                    | 4       | 1       |
| Marsh Wren                                          |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Golden-crown. Kinglet                               |               |                |                | 1              |                |                |                | 4              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Mountain Bluebird                                   | 2m2f          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1                 |                    |         |         |
| Townsend's Solitaire                                | 2             | 1              |                |                |                |                |                | 2              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| American Robin                                      | 214           |                | 1              | 1              | 20             | 4              | 1              | 7              |                | 1              |                   | 1                  |         |         |
| American Pipit                                      | 2             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Cedar Waxwing                                       | 25            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Northern Shrike                                     | 1a            | 1              | 1              |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1i             |                   | 1                  |         |         |
| "Shrike" sp.                                        |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| European Starling                                   | 1500          | 20             | 60             | 62             | 200            | 3              | 8              |                | 25             | 21             | 13                |                    | 13      |         |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                               | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1              |                   |                    |         |         |
| Rufous-sided Towhee                                 |               | 1              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| American Tree Sparrow                               | 1             | 1              | 5              | 2              | 4              | 2              | 3              |                | 4              | 12             | 6                 | 2                  | 5       | 9       |
| Song Sparrow                                        | 23            |                | 4              | 3              | 4              | 6              | 6              |                | 6              |                | 1                 |                    |         | 1       |
| Wh.-throated Sparrow                                |               |                |                |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| White-crowned Sparrow                               |               |                | 6              |                |                |                | 1H             |                |                |                | 2                 |                    | 2       | 8       |
| "Gambel's" race                                     | 71            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 6              |                | 5                 |                    |         |         |
| Harris' Sparrow                                     | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         | 2       |
| Dark-eyed Junco                                     |               | 25             |                |                |                | 3              | 3              |                |                |                | 16                | 3                  | 4       | 56      |
| "White-winged" race                                 |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 4              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| "Slate-col." race                                   |               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                | 1              |                   |                    |         |         |
| "Oregon" race                                       | 25            |                | 5              | 8              | 1              |                |                | 16             | 2              | 1              |                   |                    |         |         |
| "Gray-headed" race                                  |               |                |                | 7              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Lapland Longspur                                    | 4             |                |                |                | 15             |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Red-winged Blackbird                                | 2000          |                | 11             | 367            | 35             | 22             | 2              |                | 71             | 1              |                   | 5                  |         |         |
| Western Meadowlark                                  | 77            |                |                | 10             | 1              |                |                |                |                |                | 7                 | 1                  |         | 12      |
| Rusty Blackbird                                     |               |                |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Common Grackle                                      | 1             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Cassin's Finch                                      |               |                |                |                |                |                |                | 2              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| House Finch                                         | 5             |                | 27             | 7              | 20             | 6              | 25             | 20             | 10             | 14             | 8                 | 8                  | 2       | 13      |
| Pine Siskin                                         |               |                |                |                | 5              | 2              |                | 4              |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| Lesser Goldfinch                                    |               |                |                |                |                |                | 1              |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| American Goldfinch                                  | 5             |                |                | 10             | 2              |                |                |                | 2              | 6              |                   | 12                 | 26      | 5       |
| Evening Grosbeak                                    |               |                |                |                | 2              |                |                |                |                |                |                   |                    |         |         |
| House Sparrow                                       | 50            |                | 15             | 4              | 50             |                | 10             |                | 9              |                | 6                 |                    |         |         |
| TOT. SPECIES - 99+7+2                               | 72            | 17             | 41             | 36             | 64             | 36             | 35             | 20             | 40             | 26             | 34                | 30                 | 35      | 23      |
| TOTAL INDIVIDUALS                                   | 24633         | 128            | 1084           | 1473           | 14448          | 1622           | 762            | 147            | 2385           | 498            | 421               | 476                | 902     | 405     |

ABBREVIATIONS used in above table and next page: F=Foothills; M=Mountains; P=Plains;  
f=female; m=male; a=adult; i=immature; H=Heard only.



# ADDITIONAL NOVEMBER 1989 REPORTS

Pacific Loon 11-11 (1) Prospect Reservoir, Weld Co. (BA)N; 11-14 (1) Chatfield SRA, Jefferson Co. (JR)N; 11-20 (3) Cherry Creek Reservoir SRA, Arapahoe Co. (JR)N; 11-23 (3) Jumbo Reservoir, Logan Co. (DB)N

Yellow-billed Loon 11-20 & 11-21 (1) Cherry Creek Res. SRA (JR)F

Clark's Grebe 11-28 (2) Hamilton Reservoir, Larimer Co. (JoR)N

American Bittern 11-23 (1) Red Lion SWA, Logan Co. (DB)N

Green-backed Heron 11-15 (1) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Tundra Swan 11-1 (1) Barr Lake State Park, Adams Co. (MR,LR)N; 11-8 (8) Hamilton Res. (NE,BR,RS)N

Snow Goose ("White" morph) (50) Jumbo Res. (DB)N; (2a2i) Cherry Creek Res. (JR)N

Oldsquaw 11-18 (1) Cherry Creek Res. SRA (JR)N

Surf Scoter 11-3 (1f) Chatfield SRA (JM)S

Northern Goshawk 11-11 & 11-18 (1a) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Red-tailed Hawk ("Krider's" race) 11-11 (1i) near Weldona, Morgan Co. (BA)N

Merlin 11-1 to 11-30 (1) 869 Milwaukee St., Denver, Denver Co. (HK)N

Greater Prairie-Chicken 11-4 & 11-23 (1) 8.5 mi. E of Julesburg, Sedgwick Co. (DB)F

Northern Bobwhite 11-21 (5) South Platte River at Weldona, Morgan Co. (JR)N

Scaled Quail 11-24 (14) Bear Creek near Kansas border, Baca Co. (DB)N

Baird's Sandpiper 11-3 (1) Red Lion SWA (DB)N; 11-11 (5) Jackson Reservoir, Morgan Co. (BA)N

Black-legged Kittiwake 11-14 (1i) Chatfield SRA (JR)F; 11-21 (1a) Jackson Res. (JR)F

Lewis' Woodpecker 11-25 (3) Cottonwood Canyon, Baca Co. (DB)N

Ladder-backed Woodpecker 11-13 (1m) Bear Creek in eastern Baca Co. (DB)N

Vermilion Flycatcher 11-20 (1f) Waterton, Jefferson Co. (JR)F

Northern Rough-winged Swallow 11-13 (1) near Waterton (JoR)N

Steller's Jay 11-1 (1a) 2025 So. Monroe St., Denver, Denver Co. (TJ)N

Mountain Chickadee 11-14 (1) Muir Springs Park, Morgan Co. (JM,JT)S

House Wren 11-5 (1) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Winter Wren 11-11 (1) Chatfield SRA (JM)S; 11-14 (1) near Waterton (JR)N

Golden-crowned Kinglet 11-14 (5) Chatfield SRA (JR)N

Ruby-crowned Kinglet 11-14 (1) Waterton (JR)N

Hermit Thrush 11-13 (1) below Two Buttes Dam, Baca Co. (DB)N; 11-14 (1) Muir Springs Park (JM,JT)S

Varied Thrush 11-21 (1m) Muir Springs Park (JR)F

Gray Catbird 11-1 (4) 112th Ave. & York St., Adams Co. (JM,JT)S

Northern Mockingbird 11-7 (1) below Two Buttes Dam (DB)N

Bohemian Waxwing 11-14 (1) Jackson Res. (JoR)N

Magnolia Warbler 11-5 (1i) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Blackburnian Warbler 11-3 (1i) Chatfield SRA (JoR)N

Prothonotary Warbler 11/3 (1) Chatfield SRA (JM)S

Wilson's Warbler 11-11 (1m) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Fox Sparrow 11-22 & 11-25 (1) 14825 Foothill Rd., Golden, Jefferson Co. (CW)N; 11-25 (1 "Eastern" race) Cottonwood Canyon (DB)N

Swamp Sparrow 11-18 (2) Chatfield SRA (RL)N

Harris Sparrow 11-14 (1) Muir Springs (JM)S; 11-25 (1) Foothill Rd, Golden (CW)N

Lapland Longspur 11-11 (75) between Prospect Res. & Wiggins, Morgan Co. (BA)N

Yellow-headed Blackbird 11-18 (14) Latham Reservoir, Weld Co. (NE,BR,RS)N

Common Redpoll 11-11 (1f) Jackson Res. (BA)N; 11-11 (2) Chatfield SRA (JM,JT)S

Abbreviations used above after contributor's initials: N=No details; S=Some written details; F=rare-bird Form submitted.

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# NOVEMBER RECORD OF THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT (423-5582)

David Martin informs that 124 reports and 33 updates of 32 species were phoned in to the Colorado Bird Report in November. Eleven of the 32 species were not seen on any field trip or reported as "additional reports". 2630 calls were made for information.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

|                                   | Actual<br>for<br>year<br>ended<br>8/31/89 | Budgeted<br>for<br>year<br>ending<br>8/31/90 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                   |                                           |                                              |
| Membership Dues                   | \$4,102                                   | \$3,620                                      |
| Interest on Savings Account       | 566                                       | 555                                          |
| Book Shop                         | 271                                       | 300                                          |
| Donations to Colorado Bird Report | 1,098                                     | 740                                          |
| Corporate Museum Membership       | 75                                        | 75                                           |
| Miscellaneous                     | 20                                        | -                                            |
| TOTAL                             | \$6,132                                   | \$5,290                                      |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>               |                                           |                                              |
| Lark Bunting Printing             | \$4,069                                   | \$3,585                                      |
| Corporate Museum Membership       | 75                                        | 75                                           |
| Book Shop                         | 597                                       | 150                                          |
| Colorado Bird Report              |                                           |                                              |
| Monthly Billing for Phone         | 268                                       | 240                                          |
| Long Distance Calls               |                                           | 100                                          |
| Repairs                           | 0                                         | 150                                          |
| Equipment Reserve                 | [250]*                                    | 250                                          |
| Colorado Bird Atlas               | 200                                       | 200                                          |
| Ptarmigan Awards                  | 137                                       | 100                                          |
| Insurance                         |                                           | 340                                          |
| Miscellaneous                     | 120                                       | 100                                          |
| TOTAL                             | \$5,466                                   | \$5,290                                      |

\* From Savings Account

Prepared by Alan Hay, Treasurer

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLORADO BIRD REPORT

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#### NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### Notification of Change of Addresss

Please notify the Treasurer of change in your address. DO NOT contact the editor!

##### Failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*

For one-time failure to receive the *Lark Bunting*, contact the Editor (Tel. 232-7421), who normally has extra copies to mail out as replacements. If you fail to receive the *Lark Bunting* two months in a row, contact the Treasurer in writing.

##### DFO South Arizona Trip (Apr 27 - May 6)

Tyrannulets, Becards, Trogons with an array of Hummingbirds and a blizzard of Flycatchers plus many other southeast Arizona specialties. All expenses shared. Total approximate cost per birder while in Arizona will be \$500 to \$600 [No Camping]. A maximum of 6 birders. Contact Bob Righter at 2358 So. Fillmore, Denver, CO 80210. As lodging will be tight in some key areas, it would be best to let Bob know by letter by January 1, 1990.

#### JANUARY DFO FIELD TRIPS

Call the Colorado Bird Report at 423-5582 before going on a field trip to determine if there have been any cancellations or changes in schedules.

**JAN. 6, Saturday.** URBAN SOUTH PLATTE RIVER. Leader: Phil Hayes (232-7421). Meet at 8:00 AM in front of King Soopers at So. Federal & Bellevue. 1/2 day trip. Lunch optional.

**JAN. 7, Sunday.** WHEAT RIDGE GREEN-BELT & MT. OLIVET CEMETERY. Leader: Irv Jackson (233-2171). Meet at 8:00 AM at Prospect Park Lake (W. 44th Ave. near Robb St.). Lunch optional.

**JAN. 13, Saturday.** CHATFIELD SRA. Leaders: Brenda & Joey Kellner (985-0552). Meet at 7:15 AM at Park & Ride on So. Wadsworth just south of U.S. 285 or at 7:30 AM at west entrance of SRA. \*

**JAN. 14, Sunday.** RED ROCKS PARK AREA. Leader: Warren Finch (233-3372). Meet at 1:00 PM at the Trading Post in Red Rocks Park. Dress warmly to see Rosy Finches after 3:30 PM.

**JAN. 20, Saturday.** HAMILTON RESERVOIR & FORT COLLINS AREA. Leader: Ron Ryder (1-482-8089). Coordinator: Ruth Breckon (455-0970). Meet at 7:00 AM at east end of north parking lot of Denver Museum of Natural History or meet leader at 9:00 AM at visitors overlook of Hamilton Reservoir (about 1/4 mile north of County Road 82 and about 2.5 miles west of exit 288 off of I-25). \*

**JAN. 21, Sunday.** BEAR CREEK: PLAINS TO FOOTHILLS. Leader: Cal Wichern (693-3718). Meet at 8:00 AM west of Burlington Coat Factory in Bear Valley Shopping Center on NE corner of So. Sheridan and Hampden (U.S. 285). \*

**JAN. 27, Saturday.** ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL. Leader: Ed Holub (979-2194). Meet at 7:30 AM at east end of north parking lot of Denver Museum of Natural History. Call leader. Limit 8 people. \*

**JAN. 28, Sunday.** NORTHEASTERN COLORADO: MUIR SPRINGS & JACKSON RESERVOIR. Leader: Jack Reddall (771-5308). Meet 7:00 AM at east end of north parking lot of Denver Museum of Natural History. Must call leader if going. \*

\* Bring lunch.

Submitted by:

Ruth Breckon (455-0970)  
Ruth Wheeler (455-3924)

**TUESDAY BIRDERS:** You are welcome to join a group of birders on each Tuesday. Call Ann Bonnell (979-6211) for details.

HAPPY HOLIDAY BIRDING!



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## DENVER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - Membership Information

### WELCOME to the D.F.O.

**PURPOSE:** The prime objective of the club is to promote interest in the study and preservation of birds and their habitats. Members are encouraged to learn about birds in the field noting species and numbers and at the same time learning their songs and calls as well as habits and habitats.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The general meetings are held each month (except June, July, August and December), 7:30 P.M. at the Denver Museum of Natural History West Auditorium. Date and time reported on the Colorado Bird Report 423-5582. These meetings are open to the public without charge.

**FIELD TRIPS:** These are scheduled for almost every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year to a variety of habitats near Denver. Occasionally special trips are arranged to good birding areas in different sections of Colorado. Usually it is necessary to bring your lunch and wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. Carpooling is encouraged to get the most from bird watching as well as save time and energy. Carpooling cost is 10 cents per mile per car divided by number of passengers including the driver.

**BULLETIN:** A monthly bulletin, The Lark Bunting, is issued monthly listing field trips scheduled. A complete list of birds seen on previous month's trips is given in check-list order as well as many of the interesting sightings reported by members.

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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Family Membership - \$10 (if paid after Oct. 1, valid for next year)

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen Membership (Age 65 or Older) - \$8

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